May 13, 1953

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

The Executive Committee has had unusually heavy responsibilities and has held them for an unprecedentedly long time. The by-laws of the Council require an annual meeting of the membership and of the Board of Directors, as you know. At our instance, this is the first such annual meeting since December 1951. True, the by-laws grant to the Executive Committee some months of leeway in fixing the date of each year's meeting. But on our own initiative, we have exceeded that leeway in postponing this meeting until today.

It will be recalled that the December 1951 membership meeting, in reviewing budgetary figures for 1952, did not adopt them as a budget but authorized the Council to be continued from month to month, within the discretion of the Executive Committee. The uncertainty of finances as 1952 drew toward a close led us to put off summoning the Board and the membership, in the hope that it would be possible to consult you at a time when the finances of the Council would be on a stable basis and long-range planning could be undertaken. In part, those conditions are now fulfilled, and we happily at this time turn the conduct of the Council's program back into your hands.

The Executive Committee has met five times since the last meeting of the Board of Directors. The dates were: March 7, May 30, September 27, and December 20 in 1952, and March 21 in 1953.

Program

We have been closely in touch with the staff in a general educational program of the Council. It has been possible to keep New South coming out, and we think there will be agreement that its topics have been well chosen and that its clientele and interest as an organ leading the formation of public opinion in the South have increased steadily. Staff members of the Council have been in demand as speakers for scores of organizations scattered over the South, ranging from business men's luncheon clubs to church bodies, teachers' meetings, and workers' education study groups.

Pamphleteering has suffered from lack of funds, but we saw into the press Race and Law Enforcement, which came out in February of last year. Within a few month, 15,000 copies of this booklet had been distributed to law enforcement officers and interested voluntary agencies throughout the Southern States, and in no less than 143 separate counties, local committees of church women, stimulated by Mrs. Tilly and the Fellowship of the Concerned, have made visits to their sheriffs, booklet in hand, and discussed with him the new levels of police administration described in the pamphlet.

The Council has played a significant part in the three general gatherings of representatives of agencies in the South concerned with human relations, and has done no small part of the research and writing involved in the documents coming out of these meetings, relating successively to blighted housing and bomb violence, the use of racial and religious prejudice in political campaigns, and the issue of segregation in the public schools. These three meetings seem clearly to have established the habit of voluntary cooperation by ten or a dozen leading agencies in this field in the South on matters of program.

We have agreed that in the current year the problem of the schools and the issue of segregation will be paramount in the Council's work, and have made such arrangements as funds seemed to permit for an active effort by the Council to obtain allegiance on the part of the South as a whole to whatever may be the pronouncement of the Supreme Court and to the most rapid possible progress toward a school system defensible in the light of national and world opinion.

Organization

We have reviewed a draft of proposed new by-laws for the Council, worked out in pursuance of the resolution adopted at the December 1951 annual membership meeting, and the new draft will be available to you and to the membership for discussion. We are agreed that the new by-laws represent a desirable form of organization for the Council if and when quite substantial additional funds become available to it. It is not our thought that the new by-laws should at this time be adopted in toto.

We selected two nominating committees, one from the membership to choose nominations for the new Board of Directors and one from your Board to make nominations for officers of the Council for this year.

We record with regret the removal from the region of one of our most valued members, Rev. V. J. O'Connell, who is now a resident of St. Paul, Minnesota.

The increase in prices necessitated consideration of rises in staff salaries. A committee from the Executive Committee, composed of John Griffin, Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie, and Leonard Haas, reviewed the salary structure of the staff in detail and recommended substantial increases, with a salary range for each job from minimum to maximum. On our approval, the minimum figures in the new salary range were adopted and made payable as of January 1 of this year. We are happy to report to you that the salary levels are therefore now at figures which merit comparison with those of other organizations of this general type.

The Council complied fully with all requests for information from the so-called "Cox Committee," which late last year investigated tax-exempt foundations and agencies assisted by their funds. The information request was in laborious detail. We have heard no criticism of the Council resulting from the investigation of tax-exempt agencies in general.

Funds

By the hardest efforts, the Council came through the year 1952 with an excess of income over expenditures. The audit figures reveal for the operating fund (all the Council's work other than special small projects) a total income for 1952 of $34,635.92 and a total expense of $31,378.53, being an excess of income over expense of $3,247.39. This result was achieved notwithstanding the payment during 1952 of the entirety of the debt we owed to Mr. Thomas F. Byrd.

The various projects of the Council had at the close of the year on hand in their accounts the following amounts:

Fellowship of the Concerned	$ 306.28
New South Appropriation	500.52
NCCJ Grant for Travel	13.38
Commission on Equal Penalties	1,261.59
TOTAL	$2,081.77

The audit for 1952, while disclosing balanced books for that year, necessarily recalled that we had entered the year with a deficit of nearly $6,800 for 1951, and we carried over January 1, 1953, accounts payable amounting to nearly $1,900.

General receipts thus far in 1953 in dues, small contributions, subscriptions to New South, and customary organizational grants have held up to previous years. In addition, the Ford Foundation in March 1953 made a grant directly to the Council of $20,000 "to sustain and expand" our program for the current year. This generous emergency grant was made, so far as we learn, without prejudice to the Council's major and longstanding application now before the Fund for the Republic, and we continue to be hopeful that when the Fund for the Republic is fully organized, it will look with favor upon the major request.

Various members of this Committee and many of you on the Board have been helpful to the Council during the last year and a quarter in turning up additional sources of income, and our thanks are given to you all. It should be pointed out, however, that we have reason to believe that whatever major contribution may be made later on to the Council will bear some relationship to the sources of income found during the remainder of this year, and we urge upon the Board as its principal order of business plans for large additional revenue to the Council.

In our correspondence and work with the Council we have all been impressed by the usefulness of the body at this particular juncture in Southern life, and we hope that you can make plans which will insure the much greater development of its activities, particularly in each State and in local communities.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles S. Johnson
Chairman

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

May 13, 1953

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council was held at Atlanta University, Harkness Hall, 223 Chestnut Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia, at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 13, 1953. President Marion A. Wright presided. Rabbi Charles Mantinband gave the invocation.

The following members were present:

Marion A. Wright
Florence Sytz
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
Mrs. James S. Crate
John Long
O. D. Duncan
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
A. T. Butler
Guy B. Johnson
Leonard Haas
Gordon B. Hancock
Benjamin E. Mays
C. H. Parrish
James M. Dabbs
Glenn Rainey
A. W. Dent
F. D. Patterson
Forrester B. Washington
Rev. W. Carroll Brooke
Mrs. Milton P. Adler (with proxy for Rev. L. J. Twomey)
Mrs. W. C. White (with proxy for Davisson Dunlap)
Mrs. Charles Robeson (with proxy for Mrs. E. U. Robinson)
Rufus E. Clement
Paul D. Williams
Paul R. Christopher
Herbert M. Davidson

The following staff members were present:

George S. Mitchell
Harold C. Fleming
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Katherine Stoney
Emily Calhoun

The following visitors were present:

Mrs. Herbert M. Davidson
Mrs. W. H. Hogue
Gadsden Shand
Rebecca Reid
Mrs. R. L. Turman

Katherine Stoney gave a summary of the minutes of the last Board meeting, held December 12, 1951. On motion, it was voted to approve the summary as read.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mr. Haas read the attached report from the Executive Committee to the Board of Directors. The report was accepted as read.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dr. Mitchell reviewed the principal topics covered by New South since the last meeting of the Board and described particular issues which had had unusually wide effectiveness. He mentioned also the work of the Council in getting up material for a wide variety of articles, speeches, and some books

done by other persons on Southern matters, and touched upon the speech-making activities of members of the Council's own staff.

He reviewed the principal sources of funds in the intervening period since the Board had met and listed the programs proposed to be followed in the event that the Council is enabled to put paid personnel into each of the Southern States. These items included a follow-through on Race in the News, with the many newspapers not yet influenced by the new doctrines; the development of one or two home town self-surveys in each State each year; widening the franchise; extending economic opportunity; exploring the possibilities of getting human relations taught in the schools; and working for full compliance with whatever may be the decision of the Supreme Court in the school cases.

He reported that for the Commission on Equal Penalties, well over $2,000 was already in hand and it was hoped that the remaining pledge of a thousand dollars could be matched in a short time and this project launched. He described in detail the status of the request to the Fund for the Republic for a major grant.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Katherine Stoney distributed the attached financial report, showing the financial condition of the Council for 1952 and the first four months of 1953. It was pointed out that during the first four months of 1953 the Council was able to pay all debts for 1952 and all 1953 debts up to May 1, and have $13,532 in the general budget. She called the attention of Board members to various grants received for special projects--the Fellowship of the Concerned, the Commission on Equal Penalties, and New South.

The following budget was presented for the remainder of 1953:

Proposed Budget for Period May 1 through December 31, 1953

Salaries	$ 19,999.84
Social Security	200.00
Special salaries	700.00
Rent	840.00
Travel	2,000.00
Office supplies	700.00
Postage	400.00
Telephone & telegraph	700.00
Books & subscriptions	60.00
Georgia sales tax	8.00
Bank exchange	4.00
State school volunteers (expenses)	1,800.00
Printing	400.00
Board & membership meeting	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
	$ 28,911.84

MEMBERSHIP & FUND-RAISING

In discussion, various members urged that more attention be given to increasing the Council's membership, which Miss Stoney had listed as 1,810 paid full members and 240 paid associate members. Suggestions included the use of advertisements in church publications, a campaign by present members and Board members, and guest subscriptions to New South by present members to their friends.

The executive director thought that the most effective way to build membership would be to have paid personnel in each State. He spoke of the difficulty of reaching from a single office in Atlanta to remote States and attempting to enlist real cooperation in a program which needed to be described personally in order to be fully understood. It was true, he said, in the days when the Council had been able to afford a membership secretary and had circularized long lists of people, that it had been possible to keep the curve of membership going up, but this had always been an expensive operation, and he doubted whether resumption of it would return the cost involved. Mitchell said also that in his view, the key to our membership problem was that we didn't offer enough action programs to people out in the States.

Mr. Haas urged that a larger share of the money-raising job be taken from the executive director and put into the hands of a finance committee.

Mrs. Spearman felt that the Council could do more to assist citizens and voluntary groups in the various States in obtaining material, discussion outlines, and speakers for the various programs being conducted locally along the general line of the Council's work.

Dr. Patterson suggested that each Board member should bring in from three to five new members during the coming few months. Others suggested that the work of the finance committee might be combined with membership recruitment.

On Mrs. Spearman's point, Dr. Mitchell's view was that the Council had been serving a useful purpose as a central organization, but that the time had come now to decentralize to vigorous State action.

Mrs. White pointed out that the serving of dues notices from the Atlanta office was, in her experience, less successful than the doing of this work by people within each State. Staff persons commented that nothing in the procedures of the Council required the collection of dues centrally, and that if any State organization felt strong enough to keep the records and bill and collect itself, the Atlanta office would be very glad to turn over the record keeping and the whole matter of dues. It had, over the years, simply fallen to the Atlanta office for lack of paid personnel in each of the States to deal with the tedious routines involved.

On motion by Mr. Williams, the president was authorized to appoint a finance committee of five or more members, at his discretion.

On motion by Dr. Clement, it was voted that a recommendation be made to the finance committee that it work out a program for getting each member to obtain from three to five new members within sixty days.

Various Board members raised the question of whether the Council's own membership figure could not justifiably be increased to take into account the approximately 1,600 members of the Georgia Interracial Committee (affiliated) and the several hundred additional members of the Texas Commission on Race Relations (affiliated) and the Department of Christian Social Relations of the Virginia Council of Churches (unaffiliated).

Dr. Dent and others suggested that success by the Council in obtaining large additional grants would inevitably be related to the size and influence of our membership. Dr. Dent instanced the success of the New Orleans Committee on Race Relations in increasing its membership by a purely local campaign.

Dr. Duncan suggested that the Council's name suggested too little and that we needed a name which would inform people accurately as to the Council's purpose.

Miss Sytz said she thought that we ought to be sure that we built up a strong organization, without simply breaking down into unrelated State groups. She wanted the program to remain uniform.

ATTACK ON SRC BY METHODIST EDITOR

Mr. Fleming distributed copies of the April 1953 issue of the publication One Methodist Voice, containing a libelous attack on Dr. Mitchell and several of the Board members. The publication had evidently lifted miscellaneous items from the files of the House Committee on Un-American Activities and other similar sources and had brought a most biased and partial charge that various Board and staff members, past and present, had been affiliated with organizations believed to have been tainted by Communist influences. Further analysis of the publication had still to be made. Mr. Fleming told what was readily available to the staff as to the history of the attacking editor. For the moment, he said, the matter was a denominational question within the North Georgia Conference of the Methodist Church, and the Council was in hopes that the Conference would itself, at the proper time, take corrective notice of the charges. Steps taken by the Executive Director and general counsel toward exploring the implications of the attack in the law of libel and in postal regulations were reviewed.

Mr. Wright warned against distributing copies of the libelous publication. He said that the Council had considered going into print to defend itself, but had decided that, for the time being, in view of the limited circulation of the publication, we would merely add prestige to the attacker by going into print. Mr. Wright made it clear that if any individual who had been libeled felt that this was not the right course to take, he was free to act otherwise. The Council itself had approached the postal inspector and the Methodist officials to get them to take official action.

On motion by Mr. Davidson, it was voted that discussion of the matter of the attack would be kept within the confines of the Board.

Miss Sytz requested and obtained permission of the group to use her copy of the sheet in apprising her university officials of the libel against her.

Dr. Washington thought that if, at a later stage, a statement were to be forthcoming, it should carefully answer the many inaccuracies set out.

It was agreed, upon Mr. Wright's suggestion, that officially the Board would give the attack no publicity, and that individual members of the Board would not give it publicity, but might make such private use of it as they felt might be necessary to protect their reputations.

Dr. Patterson said that in the event that the Council does prepare a statement, the individuals attacked should give any information they wanted to be included in the statement, and it was agreed by Mr. Fleming that any such statement would be prepared with the advice of the persons libeled.

The meeting then adjourned at 12:20 p.m. for lunch.

After the luncheon interval, it was agreed that a statement in re the attack should be made in the report of the Board to the membership.

Miss Sytz suggested that it might be better to let people know more about the attack: "We might be crucified for trying to suppress this attack against us."

Mr. Fleming said that it should be made clear that any individual member who was troubled about the attack was free to inquire about it of the staff. What was proposed was to avoid public display and circulation.

BUDGET FOR 1953

In discussion of the budget, as read by Miss Stoney, Mr. Davidson moved that an extra item of a thousand dollars be included, to be spent at the discretion of the executive director, in providing expenses of individuals circulating in various States to secure additional memberships. Others suggested that this might be made the responsibility of the finance committee or that the volunteers who would be at work on matters of schools should be provided with extra expense money to enable them to take on the recruitment task also.

Mr. Davidson's motion was passed, and the budget, with the addition of that item, was adopted.

REVISION OF BY-LAWS

The executive director reviewed the history of the proposal to adopt completely new by-laws in the event that the Council obtained large additional sums, and stated that the several drafts had been scrutinized carefully by members of the Executive Committee and the present final draft had been mailed out to all Board members previous to the meeting. On motion, it was voted to urge the adoption of by-laws at the membership meeting the next day.

ANNUAL MEETING

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that the powers granted the Executive Committee under the by-laws were exceeded in postponing the 1952 annual meetings until

May 1953. He hoped that the membership meeting would sanction the postponement. He also raised the question of whether this meeting should serve as the 1953 annual meeting, thus removing the need for a meeting in November of this year. On motion, it was voted to recommend to the membership that the postponement of the 1952 annual meeting be approved and that the present meeting serve as the 1953 annual meeting, the next meeting to occur in 1954.

CO-ORDINATION OF STATE ACTIVITIES

Rabbi Mantinband urged that we arrange more coordination in the programs of the various States, particularly on the up-coming work of the school volunteers. Dr. Mitchell agreed, and suggested that the school volunteers would have a pioneer task in which they could get little help from outside bodies, and they would therefore have the greater need for comparing notes on their own achievements. Mr. Williams suggested that when each State has a Division meeting they mimeograph enough minutes to send out to other Divisions, and the executive director agreed that this could be done with such minutes as the State Divisions may send in to the Council's office in Atlanta.

Mrs. White told of plans for calling together key people from each county in Florida to discuss and report on the school situation.

AWARD TO DR. MITCHELL BY CATHOLIC COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTH

Mr. Williams told of the award given Dr. Mitchell by the Catholic Committee of the South at its convention in Richmond April 24. He mentioned previous recipients of the award and described the care and consideration by the Committee in making its choices. On motion by Mr. Haas, it was voted that the Board express its pleasure and pride that the executive director had been so honored.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

May 14, 1953

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council was held at Dean Sage Hall, Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, at 3:30 p.m., Thursday, May 14, 1953.

The following members were present:

Marion A. Wright	J. M. Dabbs	Gordon B. Hancock
Paul D. Williams	Rabbi Charles Mantinband	John A. Griffin
Paul R. Christopher	Florence Sytz	John Long
Mrs. James S. Crate	Mrs. Milton P. Adler	Herbert M. Davidson
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman		

The following staff members were present: George S. Mitchell, Harold C. Fleming, Emily Calhoun.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Long read the following nominations submitted by the nominating committee:

President--Marion A. Wright
Vice-Presidents--Gordon B. Hancock, Alfred Mynders, A. W. Dent, Carter Wesley
Counsel--Leonard Haas
Executive Committee--Harry V. Richardson, Mrs. C. M. Birnie, John A. Griffin, Rev. Andrew Turnipseed, Paul R. Christopher, Rev. Maurice V. Shean, Rufus E. Clement

On motion, it was voted to accept the nominations submitted by the nominating committee.

PUBLICITY ON MEETING

Rabbi Mantinband asked if a statement was being prepared for the press as suggested by the Board the preceding day. Mr. Fleming said that he would prepare such a statement.

FUND-RAISING

Mr. Davidson--"If we don't get the hoped-for grant, will there be a meeting of the membership called and the members asked what action to take?" Several persons agreed that this plan should be followed if the grant was not forthcoming.

There followed some discussion of what action should be taken if the Ford Foundation should grant an amount much smaller than the amount asked for. Dr. Mitchell explained that he did not see how less than three paid workers in each State would be effective. "We need to do everything double in this

bi-racial society," he said.

NOTIFYING MEMBERS OF ACTIVITIES AT ANNUAL MEETING

Miss Sytz asked if the president's address would be sent out to all members, and the staff undertook that it would be printed in the next issue of New South.

APPRECIATION TO THE STAFF AND THE PRESIDENT

Dr. Hancock expressed a debt of gratitude to the staff for carrying on during financial crises over a period of years. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that the Council was the child of Dr. Hancock's thinking.

Mr. Williams expressed his appreciation of Mr. Wright's leadership as president of the Council.

REGIONAL MEETINGS

Miss Sytz spoke of the need for regional meetings of two or three neighboring State Divisions between the yearly membership meetings. "We get inspiration from these meetings. In our own States we get overwhelmed with our own problems. We feel that we are too small to do anything."

THE SCHOOLS AND SEGREGATION

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that, in his thinking, the school problem was the most important thing to be worked on during 1953.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

April 21, 1953

Dr. Benjamin E. Mays
Morehouse College
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. Mays:

It has been customary for the president of the Council or the Executive Committee to establish each year a nominating committee of members of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council, which committee makes nominations to the Board of persons to be elected as officers of the Council.

Last September the Executive Committee chose to be on this nominating committee yourself as the chairman and the following members:

Miss Florence Sytz, School of Social Work, Tulane University, New Orleans
Rev. Dan C. Whitsett, First Methodist Church, Sylacauga, Alabama
Professor Glenn Rainey, 120 Third St., NW, Atlanta
Mr. John Long, Southern Christian Institute, Edwards, Mississippi

I do hope you can be good enough to take on this added but not onerous responsibility.

I suggest either of two procedures for the making of the nominations:

1. You to write a letter to each of the committee members asking them to write you their wishes as to persons to be nominated.

2. Wait until the meeting of the Board, which occurs at Atlanta University May 13, and hope that (as is probable) at least two other members of the committee will be present, enabling a luncheon gathering of the committee to make up its nominations.

3. Alternatively, you could both write them and arrange for the meeting.

The present officers of the Council are: President, Marion A. Wright; vice-presidents, A. W. Dent, Gordon B. Hancock, Carter Wesley, Alfred Mynders; counsel, Leonard Haas.

Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, April 21, 1953

As you know, Leonard Haas's position as Counsel has continued from the beginning and is in every way helpful to the organization. The remainder of the officers were selected at the Board meeting in December 1951, it having been felt by a number of the members of the Board that the officers were too heavily weighted with North Carolinians.

My guess is you will find the members of the nominating committee and the members of the Board pretty well satisfied with the present group of officers, but the nominating committee is there to further any changes it may wish.

I have written as enclosed to the other members of the committee.

It is to be noted that your committee is not restricted to present (or past)members of the Board of Directors. You can choose whom you wish, provided he or she resides in the South, as election to office confers ex-officio membership on the Board of Directors. For your convenience, I enclose the (rather complicated) memorandum which went out to the other nominating committee, which picks members of the Board. It may be helpful as giving long lists of persons who have at one time or another been intimately associated with the Council's program.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., met Friday, September 25, 1953, in the Council offices, at 10:15 A M. President Wright presided. Father Maurice Shean gave the invocation.

Present were: Marion A Wright
Father Maurice Shean
John A Griffin
Alfred Mynders
Mrs Cassandra M Birnie
Leonard Haas
George Mitchell
Harold Fleming
Katherine Stoney
Mrs M E Tilly
Anna Holden
Mrs Anna Owens

The selection of the Chairman of the Committee was postponed until later in the meeting awaiting a full attendance.

Mr Morris Abram, a member of the Board of Directors of SRC, having recently visited New York for an interview with Mr David Freeman of the Ford Foundation, reported on the trip and his conversations with the Ford Foundation people. He was persuaded that useful points had been made with the Ford Foundation officials and on the whole felt that future aid would be forthcoming from them for the Council. He cautioned, however, that he had received pretty strongly the impression that it would be necessary for the Council to show substantial fund-raising success in the South at an early date. Various persons present stated to the Executive Committee the relation the SRC had been bearing to the study being made under the auspices of the Foundation on the school systems in the South. The Council was persuaded that the report of the Fund for the Advancement of Education would be helpful in getting wider understanding in the South.

Mr Harold Fleming reported on the matter of articles by business executives. While it has not been possible to get articles from Mr Wheeler or Mr Coker, it was hoped that at a later time considerable writing could be done by a Birmingham executive.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dr Mitchell reported that the sum of $4000.00 was on hand for the Commission on Equal Penalties and requested Mrs Birnie's assistance in the near future in getting that project under way. Mr Wright suggested that special effort be made to include the Southwest in the development of this project. This was agreed.

Progress with the appointment of State school committeemen was reviewed and the sales thus far of the QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS - Schools and Courts - pamphlet. Discussion turned on possible ways of interesting other users of that pamphlet and its sequel - CHECK LIST - for local discussion groups.

Dr Mitchell reviewed the events leading up to the use of the facilities of HIGHLANDER during the week Irene Osborne of the AFSC was present. Some question had been raised as to the propriety of the association of the Council and the HIGHLANDER folks. Dr Mitchell stated that his decision in the matter, somewhat hastily taken, was now recognized to have been of doubtful wisdom; but that the conference itself had been helpful. Dr Mitchell had a hand in developing the interest of HIGHLANDER in the school segregation question as a means of assisting the Labor movement in the South to take the more progressive side of the issues that will be coming up.

Reference was made to the charge by one Paul Crouch, before a Special Committee of the Subcommittee on UnAmerican Activities, that the Communist Party at one time published a pamphlet called "New South". Dr Mitchell said he had written Senator Jenner asking for whatever part of the testimony might be available in order that the difference between the publications could be established. On the matter of the charges made last spring by the Reverend Blake Craft that the Council was honeycombed with Communists, it was agreed that the action of the Methodist Church in failing to re-appoint the Reverend Mr Craft to a charge had sufficiently established in the public's mind the untruth of Mr Craft's accusation; and the Executive Director was authorized to address the United States District Attorney to the effect that the Council had no present interest in pushing charges against Mr Craft for violation of postal statutes in circulating his defamatory material.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Miss Katherine Stoney gave the attached report showing a balance on hand of approximately $1600.00.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dr Rufus Clement of Atlanta University was unanimously chosen to be Chairman of the Executive Committee of SRC for the coming year.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

Mr Harold Fleming gave a resume of publicity received during recent months. He noted special interest in school matters, stating that many editors had quoted from Dr Guy Johnson's speech printed in May, 1953, NEW SOUTH, and that an unusually large number had asked for copies of the issue "The Court Takes More Time"; and that he was impressed generally with the moderate and constructive tone of the editorial comment on the whole school question. Mr Fleming also reported on a TV appearance he had made in Atlanta dealing with the question of the schools.

REPORT OF MRS M E TILLY FOR THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

Mrs Tilly described a meeting by the Georgia Council of Church Women at which the school issue was discussed. She also told of plans for a meeting of leading women to be held in Atlanta on October 20, 1953, at which time she is to launch a program for special interest in Southern States in local

discussion groups. She reported that the Fellowship of the Concerned is continuing with its program of visiting courts; and she hoped that the local group would pick up interest in the matter of the schools also.

NEW BOARD

The Executive Director distributed to the members of the Executive Committee a list of the Board members chosen thus far. Of sixty nominated, forty-six had, as of the date of the meeting, accepted membership, and remaining acceptances were expected within a few days.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

Atlanta, Georgia
November 17, 1953

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report - January 1953

Bank balance, December 31, 1952		1,231.63
Less amount due for Withholding and FICA taxes		337.77
		894.36

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$ 65.00	
Contribution from Organization (United Steelworkers of America, CIO)	1,000.00	
Contributions from Churches (Board of Natn'l Missions, Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. - $250) (Board of Education, Methodist Church - $250)	500.00	
Contribution from Foundation (Lucius & Eva Eastman Fund)	250.00	
Members Dues	290.00	
New South Subscriptions	15.00	
Sale of Literature	35.20	
Total receipts		2,155.20
		3,049.56

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 2,039.98	
Social Security (Cost to Council)	14.06	
Rent	105.00	
Telephone & Telegraph	59.90	
Postage	48.98	
Travel	26.04	
Insurance (Bond and Fire)	40.24	
Office Supplies	2.97	
Books & Subscriptions	11.70	
Georgia Sales Tax	.43	
Expense of Meeting	8.92	
Bank exchange	.30	
Dues to New Orleans Committee	20.00	
Note to Citizens Trust Co. - (Principle & interest in full)	500.00	
Total Disbursements		2,878.52
Balance on hand, January 31, 1953		$ 171.04

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, January 31, 1953

George S. Mitchell, salary	$ 833.34
Harold G. Fleming, salary	250.00
Katherine Stoney, salary	549.98
Anna Holden, salary	166.66
Emily Calhoun, salary	125.00
Mrs. M. E. Tilly, salary	250.00
Southern Bell Tel. Co.	159.46
Mimeograph Co.	61.93
Office Supply Co.	14.90
Elliott Addressing Machine Co.	18.46
Western Union Tel. Co.	2.77
Carrithers-Wallace-Courtney	1.55
Due to State Divisions	377.00
Total	$ 2,811.05

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, JANUARY, 1953

No special report was mailed out for December, 1952, as the Executive Committee itself met that month.

MEETINGS & LECTURES

The executive director met with the Atlanta Friends Meeting, with the Atlanta Chapter of the journalism fraternity Sigma Delta Chi, with the Pilot Club at Daytona Beach, and in an Arkansas trip late in January talked to classes of the student body at AM&N College, Pine Bluff, and with a faculty group at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville.

Mrs. Tilly's activity was concentrated with the Georgia Interracial Committee.

FORD REQUEST

In the last few days of December the executive director went to New York in hopes of getting some light on the date at which a decision from the Ford Foundation could be expected. The Ford Foundation had convened the first meeting of the Board of its new Fund for the Republic on December 11. An interview was held with staff members of the Fund for the Republic and with one or two of the members of its Board. The situation with us is the more urgent because of the impending decision of the United States Supreme Court on the segregation cases. Whatever the form of the decision, we told the Fund for the Republic people, substantial changes will necessarily occur in the South, and it is the part of simple wisdom to be prepared in advance for these changes. We presented a proposal about voluntary State School Committees which had seemed to our December meeting of the Executive Committee to be a suitable step toward readiness. While persons in the Fund for the Republic office recognized the importance of the emergency set out, they had available no mechanism for providing within a very short while the substantial sums in terms of which the Council was speaking, and at the end of the negotiations the executive director left the matter of the whole original request to stand as heretofore before the Board of the Fund for the Republic.

Estimates vary as to how long it will take the Board of the Fund for the Republic to come down to cases. Some say weeks, some say months.

POSSIBLE NEW BY-LAWS

A draft of possible new by-laws, cast in the form approved in principle by the November, 1951, annual membership meeting, and subsequently discussed in meetings of the Executive Committee, was sent out in January to all members of the Executive Committee. These were drafted to enable the Council to function smoothly in the event that it received quite substantial additional support, and therefore had the means to provide for active State organizations with full-time paid personnel. Detailed comments and revisions of the draft by-laws are requested.

FUND-RAISING

In the course of the New York trip various of the foundation groups which have from time to time helped the Council were interviewed. We had reason to be assured of the renewal of the annual grant from the National Council of the protestant Episcopal Church and from the Sidney Hillman Fund. Further negotiations were conducted with the Doris Duke Foundation about the proposed Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law. We have already enjoyed this year a substantial contribution from the United Steelworkers of America - CIO, and upon receipt of the audit will renew our requests to the United Automobile Workers of America - CIO, to several small foundations, and to a number of our largest individual contributors. President Marion Wright has been working on contacts of his, and Paul Williams has promised to renew his efforts on our behalf.

NEW SOUTH

The last few issues of New South have been somewhat more popular than usual. There has been an exceptionally wide demand for the FEPC issue, September, 1952. Orders have been received from a total of 52 public and college libraries all over the country, as well as from many individuals (mostly college students).

We have been pleased to notice a steady growth in the subscription list of New South last year. It continues to receive, issue by issue, good and widespread newspaper notice.

RECREATION PROJECT

The research assistant, Miss Anna Holden, aided by a volunteer, Mrs. Sue Crank, has compiled the facts on discrimination in recreational facilities in several sample Southern cities and States, and it is hoped that this can serve as a basis for an early article in the law review published by Emory University.

LIBRARY PROJECT

A survey of library services available to Negroes in the South is being made in cooperation with the Atlanta University Library. The survey is concerned with services in the main libraries, in Negro branch libraries, and with Negro representation on library boards in the Southern States.

STATE DIVISIONS

The Little Rock group of the Arkansas Division continues to hold an interracial luncheon every two weeks.

The New Orleans Committee on Race Relations has resumed employment of a paid executive secretary.

The Georgia Interracial Committee has been active in a recent court case.

The Alabama Division will meet at Montgomery February 10.

THIS & THAT

Information furnished to the usual miscellany of inquirers. We helped some groups find speakers for Race Relations Sunday.

Some follow-up on the Nashville meeting of last November, to further its proposal of local resolutions against use of racial and religious prejudice in political campaigns.

The Christian Science Monitor of January 9 carried quite a good write-up of Mrs. Tilly and the Fellowship of the Concerned.

A church official needed help in drafting an action program for his group in the field of Christian relations. Gave him eight ways to act.

A New Jersey Ph.D. researcher wanted to be steered to a plantation belt Southern town lately industrialized. Suggested Demopolis, Alabama.

Wrote Mr. Luther Jackson's widow to tell her that a recent occasion for us to go through her husband's 1948 Council pamphlet, Race and Suffrage in the South since 1940, had convinced us all again of the soundness and far-sightedness of his work.

During the past month the Council has assisted several newspaper men in the preparation of major articles on race relations. One of these, a series explaining the significance of the school segregation suits, appeared in the Greensboro Record.

For the third consecutive year the Council is to be one of the beneficiaries of the Student Brotherhood Chest at Emory University. Campus solicitations begin in February.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for February, 1953

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$ 168.50	
Contribution from Church (Natn'l Council, Protestant Episcopal Church)	1,000.00	
Contributions from Foundations (Sidney Hillman Fund - $1500.) (Marion R. Ascoli Fund - $300.)	1,800.00	
Members Dues	248.00	
New South Subscriptions	73.25	
Sale of Literature	76.90	
Honoraria	35.00	
Transfer from Fellowship of the Concerned - salary, Mrs. Tilly	100.00	
Total Receipts		$3,501.65

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 2,703.32	
Social Security (cost to Council)	18.99	
Travel	188.22	
Office Supplies	102.55	
Rent	105.00	
Telephone & Telegraph	162.23	
Postage	18.32	
Books & subscriptions	5.85	
Georgia Sales Tax	.82	
Bank Exchange	1.05	
Paid to State Divisions	314.50	
Total Disbursements		$3,620.85

Recapitulation:

Balance, Feb. 1, 1953	$ 171.04
Receipts	3,501.65
	3,672.69
Disbursements	3,620.85
Balance, March 1, 1953	$ 51.84

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE as of February 28, 1953

George S. Mitchell, Salary	$ 833.34
Harold Fleming, salary	250.00
Katherine Stoney, salary	596.64
Anna Holden	166.66
Mrs. M. E. Tilly	125.00
Southern Bell Tel. Co.	19.20
Stein Printing Co.	176.39
Mimeograph Co.	47.65
Office Supply Co.	12.41
Due to State Divisions	119.00
Audit fee	75.00
Total Accounts Payable	~~$2,346.29~~ $ 2421.29

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Finance report - March 1-20, 1953

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$ 113.00
Contributions from Church (Div. Home Missions & Church Extension) (Methodist Church)	250.00
Members Dues	466.00
New South Subscriptions	111.50
Sale of Misc. Literature	28.30
Honorarium	25.00
Total Receipts	993.80

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	713.32	
Social Security	39.47	
Travel	87.31	
Postage	19.76	
Georgia Sales Tax	.83	
Total Disbursements		$ 860.69

Balance, March 1, 1953	$ 51.84
Receipts	993.80
	1045.64
Disbursements	860.69
Bal. March 20	$ 184.95

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE - March 20, 1953

George S. Mitchell, salary	$ 851.86
Harold Fleming, salary	250.00
Katherine Stoney, salary	499.98
Anna Holden, salary	333.32
Emily Calhoun, salary	125.00
Mrs. M.E. Tilly, salary	250.00
Rent - Wesley Memorial Bldg.	105.00
Stein Printing (New South)	362.80
L. E. Campbell, audit	75.00
Southern Bell Tel. Co.	67.46
Pitney-Bowes Co.	50.75
Mimeograph Co.	49.26
Office Supply Co.	17.87
Fisk Dept. Race Relations (pamphlets)	15.32
Nat'nl Council Agricultural Life & Labor (panphlets)	20.00
New York Times	12.50
Ivan Allen Marshall	6.30
Elliott Addressing Machine Co.	4.12
Due to State Divisions	$ 249.50
Total	$ 3346.04
Loan, G. S.Mitchell	1500.00

SRC PROPOSED BUDGET FOR PERIOD
April 1 - December 31, 1953

Salaries	$ 22,488.82	
Social Security	265.00	
Rent	945.00	
Travel	2,500.00	
Office Supplies	800.00	
Postage	450.00	
Telephone & Telegraph	750.00	
Books & Subscriptions	75.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	9.00	
Misc.	100.00	$ 28,382.82
New South - printing	1,700.00	
" " - postage	400.00	2,100.00
		$ 30,482.82
Expenses for 1st three months of 1953		10,607.40
		$ 41,090.22

MARCH, 1953, STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST

BITS & PIECES

Supplied the United Press wire service with detailed information on the status of school segregation in Southern and border States.

Advised an Emory University faculty member on the legality of a planned interracial Student luncheon, about which some doubt had been raised.

Sent to Winston-Salem newspaper man information about practices in various Southern cities in admitting Negroes to municipal auditoriums.

Winston-Salem newspaper man wrote, telling of dispute in his city over whether to allow Negroes to use municipal auditorium. He wanted information about the practice of other Southern cities in this respect. Sent it.

Recreation project. completed.

APRIL DOPE FILE

Man came in from the training program of one of the federal agencies related to matters agricultural. He was worried because his agency, which has done a lot for the land, has done so little for people. Could we steer him? Told him what to do.

Human relations agency expanding in the South wants advice on where an exceptionally person interested in community development could go to work.

MAY DOPE FILE

A friend wished involved advice on a contribution to the United Negro College Fund. Given.

SRC 3/15

April 2, 1953

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Here is a quarterly round-up.

FINANCES

1952 ended lamely, we must admit, and the Council still limped in the early months of 1953. Lately the Ford Foundation itself sent us $20,000 "to sustain and expand" our program in 1953. And so far as we learn, this life-saving grant is without prejudice to our major application long pending before the Fund for the Republic. We are told that it will be a goodish period yet before the Fund for the Republic is completely organized and ready to make its decision.

The Executive Committee decided March 21 that we would not make this grant a matter of public notice.

SCHOOL SEGREGATION

Thus refreshed, we go to our job with less limp. The problem of the year is clearly the schools. Late in December we prepared a new memorandum on what ought to be done in the South to get ready for the Supreme Court's decision and for the months thereafter. We thought the best thing was to try to get going in each Southern State a State School Committee of private citizens, faithfully representing all interests, and in some sense paralleling the official State school boards. The private Committee would make use of the paid personnel that we hope ultimately can be provided in each State, so that pretty complete facts could be laid before the meetings of the Committee on each school system--differences, inequities, opportunities for early desegregation, compliance with whatever the Supreme Court may order, all the problems about teachers and buildings and curricula and school district lines, and so on.

One of the abiding but curable problems of the South is that we don't use the normal democratic processes for satisfying a minority grievance. In a democracy what you are supposed to do is get on to the official boards representatives of each interest, and there in the official boards settle problems. As we all know, there are only two State school boards in the South that have or have lately had Negro members (Kentucky and North Carolina). And the Council knows of only five or six local school boards so organized. Wherefore, misunderstanding, distrust, and partial policies.

We suppose that these private committees could reach agreement on the facts as to things to be done. Certainly they could give public opinion in each State a lead often different from the official one.

Clearly, there is not, for the time being, the money to put the paid personnel into the States, and therefore, organizing such Committees has to wait. But we shall see if we can find in each State some single volunteer person who will con up the facts about the schools and be both a

correspondent for the Council centrally and an aid to good movements within his or her own State. And that we are trying to work out now. The Council could pay the modest expenses of such a person on telephone calls and travel and reports and postage. We have asked the chairman of each State Division or affiliated committee to help find such a person. Board members can help their State chairmen by being in touch with them and advising them.

HUMAN RELATIONS AGENCIES

The Council has had a hand in getting together three separate meetings of agencies in the South concerned with human relations. One talked about housing and bomb violence; the next about racial and religious prejudice in political campaigns; and the last, just lately, about segregation in the schools. The meeting is merely people from the various agencies, without any power to commit agency program; but all who have come have found it a useful opportunity to bring our various policies nearer together and concentrate at particular times on particular things.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual membership meeting of the Council will be held at Dean Sage Hall at Atlanta University on May 14. The Board will meet on May 13 in the Board Room of Atlanta University at 10:00 a. m., as heretogore. And again the Council is in a position now to pay the expenses of Board members for that meeting. So we hope there will be full attendance.

ELECTION OF NEW BOARD

A proposal will be before the annual membership meeting to alter the by-laws in such a way as to enable the election of an almost complete Board this time.

You will remember that the membership meeting in November, 1951, asked that new by-laws be drafted to alter the Council into a sort of federation of active State groups, with a single self-perpetuating Board to coordinate the work of the State organizations. If, therefore, at this meeting we simply filled out the vacancies in the present Board (the usual custom in the past), we would probably be keeping only a "lame duck" Board and would face later on (when, as, and if the Council gets means for a substantially expanded program) the problem of choosing a new Board to work under the new by-laws.

So it is proposed this time to suspend that clause in the present by-laws which arranges elections to vacancies on the present Board, and use, in effect, the machinery of the proposed new by-laws for selecting on May 14 the reorganized Board. I want to emphasize that a reorganized

Board does not mean the loss from the Board of, by any means, all of the present members; we hope that the nominating committee will bring in a slate that will include many of you who have been the Council's firm supporters all these years.

There is some hard thinking and planning to be done May 13 and 14. The Council is debt-free, clearly has strength for some time to come, may quite possibly be much expanded in the future, and Goodness knows, has work to do. Wherefore, please come and help.

Respectfully submitted,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for March, 1953

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$	856.00
Contribution from Organization (Emory Univ. Brotherhood Chest)		141.10
Contributions from Churches (Div. of Home Missions & Church Extension, (The Methodist Church - $250. (Province of Sewanee, Protestant Episcopal (Church - $100.		350.00
Contribution from Foundation (The Ford Foundation)		20,000.00
Members Dues		700.00
New South Subscriptions		114.50
Sales of Miscellaneous Literature		58.20
Honorarium		25.00
Total Receipts	$	22,244.80

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$	4,471.62
Social Security		39.47
Rent		105.00
Travel		269.09
Printing		362.80
Office Supplies		127.04
Postage		59.89
Telephone & Telegraph		67.46
Audit Fee		75.00
Books & subscriptions		60.22
Expense of meeting		7.27
Sales Tax		.83
Bank exchange		1.05
Misc.		1.50
Paid to State Divisions		113.00
Total Disbursements	$	5,761.24

Balance, March 1, 1953	$	51.84
Receipts		22,244.80
Disbursements	-	5,761.24
Balance, April 1, 1953	$	16,535.40

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE as of March 31, 1953

Southern Bell Tel. Co.	$	20.45
Elliott Addressing Machine Co.		4.12
Columbia Ribbon & Carbon Co.		4.64
Due to State Divisions (for March)		221.00
Total	$	250.21

MAY, 1953, STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST

A friend wished advice on a contribution to the United Negro College Fund. Given.

Harold Fleming spoke to the Macon Interracial Committee on the Council's work May

Newsweek's Southern correspondent spent a day in the Council's office gathering material for an article on race relations, pegged on Dr. Clement's election. The article appeared in the issue of May 25, and though the Council got no credit line, the material is largely ours.

Race and Law Enforcement received an enthusiastic review in the Journal of Criminal Law, Criminology, and Police Science. The review concluded: "Although this pamphlet is primarily designed for Southern communities, it could be read and studied with great benefit by all municipal police departments throughout the country." Order and request for quantity prices received from Toledo Police Department, contemplating use in their police academy.

On May 25, talked to Southern Summer School for International Chemical Workers, AF of L, Lake Junaluska. Local union officials from all Southeastern States, plus Maryland.

The week before was spent at the CIO Summer School near Talladega, Alabama, with local union representatives from Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, and Florida.

Copies of the April issue of New South, entitled "Law Versus Practice in Interstate Travel," were mailed out with covering letters to leading officials of nearly all of the passenger-carrying railways in the South. Thus far, we have had courteous acknowledgements from presidents, vice-presidents, or general counsel from the Seaboard Air Line, Florida East Coast, and Baltimore and Ohio railroad companies.

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, JUNE 1953

ANNUAL MEETING

What with the annual meeting in mid-May, we have neglected our monthly letter to members of the Executive Committee.

The annual meeting we thought a success. They agreed that the problem of getting compliance in the South with whatever the Supreme Court may decree is the first order of business. They elected a strong new Board of Directors. They re-elected a good strong Executive Committee! They adopted altered by-laws, to be brought into effect at a time to be fixed by the Executive Committee. The new arrangement would provide for our scattered Southwide membership to belong to strengthened State organizations, which in turn would be bound together and assisted by the Board of Directors of the Council. And the Board would be the Council itself, having power to elect to its own vacancies. All that waits on funds enough to enable us to put paid personnel into each State organization. Whether the Funds can be had or not is quite likely to be decided this autumn.

SCHOOLS PROGRAM

We have been urging each of our State groups to choose a single volunteer person, who will rapidly build up a knowledge of the school situation in his or her State. Here are the volunteers thus far officially named:

Miss Ruth Dreyfous, 17 Audubon Street, New Orleans
Dr. R. C. Koeninger, Sam Houston State Teachers College, Houston
Mr. Howard G. McClain, 116 South Saluda Street, Columbia, S. C.
Mr. Roscoe Giffen, Berea College, Berea, Kentucky
Dr. A. S. Turnipseed, 1429 Gilmer Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama
Mrs. Ruby Lyells, 1116 Montgomery Street, Jackson, Mississippi
Mr. Alfred Mynders, The Chattanooga Times, Chattanooga

Virginia has placed the responsibility on Rev. W. Carroll Brooke, at Trinity Christian Church at Staunton, who is chairman of a committee to make a permanent selection.

In Florida Mrs. W. C. White at Eau Gallie is serving for the time being, at least. Arkansas, Georgia, and North Carolina have as yet made no selection, but we are pressing the chairmen of the State organizations for a choice.

In the Council office here we have employed for the summer a professor from Agnes Scott, Miss Anna Greene Smith, who is in charge of pushing the schools program.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

We have concluded that the best use to be made of the remaining months between now and an announcement on the Supreme Court's decision will be to

get going in as many communities as we can local interracial discussion meetings, on the matter of schools. We want to pick some leaves out of the survey manual and prepare with them and other things a kit of material which would be useful to such discussion groups. In answering the questions for themselves in their own localities, they would find out the condition of white and Negro schools, the cost involved, the number of pupils by race, the number of teachers by race, and so on. Out of knowing the facts, it seems to us, the answers will begin to emerge. And the first group of responsible citizens well informed is pretty likely to be important in setting the reaction of local opinion to whatever the Supreme Court may say. The help of members of the Executive Committee is earnestly asked in getting these local discussion groups going.

There is another idea afloat about such groups for young people of high school age, but more, perhaps, about that in a later letter.

SPEECH MAKING

Harold Fleming talked to the Macon, Georgia, Interracial Committee.

George Mitchell spent a week with a CIO summer school near Talladega, Alabama, with union representatives from Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, and Florida. Subject, civil rights. Some fireworks, but some teaching too. A few days later he talked to a similar gathering for the International Chemical Workers--AFL--at Junaluska. Local officials from all the Southeastern States, plus Maryland.

George Mitchell spent another week at Blue Ridge with the Southwide conference of the Southern YM and YWCA's. Similarly on civil rights. He spent a week-end also at Aaronsburg, Pennsylvania, at an interesting gathering of people from all over the country for bettering human relations.

INTERSTATE TRAVEL

The April issue of New South reviewed in detail a remarkable study of segregation in interstate railway travel done by the American Missionary Association staff at Fisk University. No sooner in print than we mailed copies, with covering letters, to leading officials and general counsel for each of the principal passenger carrying railway lines in the South. We've had courteous acknowledgments from presidents or vice-presidents or general counsel from the L&N, Frisco, RF&P, SAL, FEC, and B&O railroad companies, and most of the answers showed that the officials had indeed read what we sent them.

We sent copies also to the home offices of the principal passenger serving railway trade unions, including the Order of Railway Conductors, the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Railway Patrolmen's International Union, Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, American Railway Supervisors Association, Association of Colored Railway Trainmen and Locomotive Firemen, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, Colored Trainmen of America, and the United Transport Service Employees of America. Thus far, only two acknowledgments.

Though the issue did not relate directly to interstate bus transportation, we sent it also to officials of the principal bus lines in the Southern States. I think in many an office this issue of New South will have been the first tangible evidence that a citizen body in the South is aware of the November action of the Supreme Court, which, in effect, outlawed segregation in interstate railway coach travel.

ATTACK ON SRC

Those of you who came to the mid-May meeting learned of the accusations against the Council by the Rev. Blake Craft of Clayton, Georgia, in his publication called One Methodist Voice. The staff and various of the officers of the Council, particularly President Wright, spent a lot of time thinking out the best course of action. We will be sending you in a day or two news of the action taken by the North Georgia Conference of The Methodist Church in repudiating Mr. Craft, and thereby indirectly upholding the Council. Some other steps in re the libelous accusations from Mr. Craft's paper are in the wind, but we all feel greatly heartened by the firm support given us by The Methodist Church.

COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES

We are now within $250 of having in hand the full $4,000 needed to start the Commission on Equal Penalties. The remaining sums needed have been pledged, and we are trying to collect. We hope to launch the Commission soon.

SHREVEPORT SURVEY

Their survey is at last done. The New York Herald Tribune showed interest in it, and a T-V program was put on nationally about it. Shreveport seems to have done an excellent job, and it has had the usual consequence of producing plans for remedy and friendships for getting the remedies applied.

FUNDS

The John Hay Whitney Foundation sent $1,500 for Mrs. Tilly's work with the Fellowship of the Concerned. The Ford Foundation continued for '53 its assistance in publication of New South--$2,500. The John Rust Foundation of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, gave us a thousand for the Commission on Equal Penalties. The United Rubber Workers--CIO--increased their last year's gift of $50 to $200. We are shy of enough funds to carry through to the end of the calendar year, but the Board meeting made arrangements for a new finance committee, and we hope something can result from that.

PRAISE OF POLICE PAMPHLET

Race and Law Enforcement received an enthusiastic review in the Journal of Criminal Law, Criminology, and Police Science. The review concluded:

"Although this pamphlet is primarily designed for Southern communities, it could be read and studied with great benefit by all municipal police departments throughout the country." Order and request for quantity prices received from Toledo Police Department, contemplating use in their police academy.

HODDING CARTER ON RACE IN THE NEWS

Board member Hodding Carter's new book, Where Main Street Meets the River, has a chapter called "Mrs. Means Married Woman." The chapter recounts the process by which he himself for his paper decided to use courtesy titles. He called us up, he said (actually, we remember that he sent a wire), and asked how many Southern papers were already using courtesy titles. Harold Fleming and Anna Holden stayed late that night and got up a list of such papers and sent it over to him. Carter in his book said that the day after his phone call, an air mail letter came in listing a hundred papers. He switched and held his breath. Two or three minor kicks. Complete and friendly cooperation from his linotypers and pressmen. And much praise from various people in his city.

THIS AND THAT

During May both Time magazine and Newsweek ran extensive articles on race relations. The Council was heavily consulted by staff members from both magazines in the preparation of the material used. Their editing (!), but quite a lot of facts which we, doubtless among others, supplied.

United Community Services of Charlotte, North Carolina, needed information on Negro hospital facilities in the South. Duly sent.

We congratulated Bishop Waters of North Carolina on his firm stand in re church segregation in his Diocese.

Strengthened our links with the Community Relations Program of the American Friends Service Committee in Washington.

Some assistance by letter to African students in New York seeking summer jobs.

Counsel to a Yale student on a couple of excellent manuscripts he has done lately on Southern matters.

Complaint re peonage. Turned details over to proper authority.

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, JULY, 1953

TRAVEL & SPEECHES

George Mitchell

Spoke to A. F. of L.'s Kentucky Labor School. A week at Lexington. About 100 people. Pretty good, and willing to take more of civil rights than most would suppose.

The Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul at Seton Hill College, Greensburg, Pennsylvania, July 22. Sisters of the Holy Cross at St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, July 23.

Clarkston, Georgia, Civitan Club, July 27. A section of the Town and Country Ministers group, Emory University, July 28.

Ten Italian touring trade unionists, auspices State Department, Lexington, Kentucky, July 15. One French ditto.

Race Relations Institute, Fisk University, "The South in the Last Decade."

Mrs. Tilly

Addressed a group of Methodist church women at Dahlonega and the Interracial Committee at Gainesville, Georgia.

Anna Holden

Attended workshop on intergroup education at the Catholic University in Washington, and the Institute for Southern Social Work Executives at Blue Ridge.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Next thing we can do is get knowledge of the school issue before the South into the minds of good numbers of everyday people. The truth is that the school issue has been closely followed by the Negro community and has only been perceived in fits and starts by the white community. We suppose that State school superintendents and aides to governors and a few leading political figures in each State and the State attorneys general are busy cooking up attitudes on the whole matter. But not much seems to be done to get understanding of it in local places.

Taking a leaf from some work under way in Charleston, South Carolina, we thought we would try hard now to get biracial discussion groups going. Eight, Ten, or a dozen people who would meet three or four times late this summer and in the early autumn. In addition to the Charleston group, we have word from Mrs. Ruby Lyells, the Mississippi school volunteer, that her discussion group in Jackson is under way; Mrs. Tilly has plans for a preliminary meeting in Atlanta August 7; and discussion groups in other States are in various stages of preparation.

Harold Fleming is busy preparing three leaflets for the discussion groups to use. One goes over the whole matter in question and answer form; one builds up the precedents and cases now before the Supreme Court; and the last, in effect, rips pages from the self-survey manual relating to the schools and, in simplified form, shows the questions needing to be answered in each community about the white and Negro schools.

We arranged for seven or eight people from various of the Southern States to be present at a session in East Tennessee in mid-July for some briefing on this. They had a week's instruction from Irene Osborne, who has been doing a notable job for the American Friends Service Committee on the school system in Washington. Anna Greene Smith attended the workshop, and toward the end of the week Harold Fleming spent some time with the group on what should go into the discussion leaflets.

As soon as we can get material into print, we will be working with all our Council people in the States and with the State school volunteers to unroll as extensive discussion group program as we can. The help of all members of the Executive Committee is asked on this. Anna Greene Smith has sent out to heads of State Divisions and State school volunteers two newsletters reporting on progress thus far in the schools program.

On invitation, Harold Fleming met with the American Teachers Association at Orangeburg, South Carolina, on July 28. He conferred at length with the secretaries of State Negro teachers' associations on the Council's school program. The State secretaries promised cooperation and support, and the convention as a whole voted endorsement of the Council's plan.

SOUTHWIDE COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES IN COURTS OF LAW

The Doris Duke Foundation has agreed that its prospective contribution of a thousand dollars is available as soon as it can be matched. We are within $150 of matching it. That needed sum has been pledged, and as soon as we can collect on the pledges, the total sum available in cash for the Commission will be $4,000. That's not as much as we should have to unroll it, but we would begin. Marion Wright and George Mitchell have already begun some inquiries as to suitable persons to be on the Commission.

FACT-FINDING EFFORT FROM THE FUND FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION

Within recent weeks this Ford subsidiary has undertaken a short-run program of gathering facts on the school systems of the South. The Council has an agreed working relationship with this program, and we are extensively assured that the aid to it from a Ford Foundation source does not prejudice the Council's application to the Fund for the Republic for long-range aid. Indeed, what the Council can do in the way of follow-up and implementation fits very neatly into the other program for a quick report.

THE REV. MR. CRAFT'S OUTBURST

At the end of June the North Georgia Conference of The Methodist Church took note of the scandalous accusations of this Methodist minister in a paper he has been publishing called One Methodist Voice. He had struck hard against various leading local Methodist officials and in two issues abused them for harboring in a Methodist building the nefarious Southern Regional Council, which at one spot he said was honeycombed with Communist sympathizers.

The longstanding controversy with the Rev. Mr. Craft came to a dramatic clash on the floor of the Conference, which ended with a pitifully small claque of five or six still applauding Mr. Craft's position. We have already sent to members of the Executive Committee and to various Board members the press stories indicating that The Methodist Church held Mr. Craft in slight, if charitable, esteem.

KENTUCKY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS

George Mitchell met with the Executive Committee of the Kentucky Division at Frankfort. Roscoe Giffen, the State school volunteer from Berea, was present. The meeting talked mostly about how to launch the discussion group program in Kentucky. Mr. Tydings was present, just back from his African trip.

THIS & THAT

George Mitchell and Anna Holden completed an article for The Journal of Negro Education on "The Money Income of Negroes in the United States."

Supplied information on Negro police to Birmingham Jaycees.

CORRECTION

The Field Foundation, not the Ford Foundation (as reported in last month's Staff Activities) gave SRC a $2,500 grant to assist in publishing New South.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for July, 1953

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$	11.00
Contribution from Church (Woman's Division of Christian Service, The Methodist Church)		1,200.00
Members Dues		308.00
New South Subscriptions		31.50
Sale of literature		69.55
Honoraria		246.50
Sale of office supplies		45.18
Total receipts	$	1,911.73

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$	2,466.66
Social Security		24.98
Rent		105.00
Travel		29.50
Postage		19.77
Special Services		22.00
Books & subscriptions		12.75
State School Volunteers expenses		90.24
Georgia Sales tax		.75
Bank exchange		.55
Purchase of mimeograph machine & mimeoscope		165.00
Total disbursements		2,937.20

Balance on hand, July 1, 1953	$	7,471.29
Receipts		1,911.73
	$	9,383.02
Disbursements		2,937.20
Balance on hand, August 1, 1953	$	6,445.82

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AS OF JULY 31, 1953

Southern Bell Tel. Co.	$	48.89
Mimeograph Co.		96.10
Elliott Addressing Machine Co.		5.64
Harper Printing Co.		15.45
Office Supply Co.		4.84
Tidwell Co.		5.15
Ivan Allen-Marshall Co.		1.08
Norfolk Journal & Guide		3.00
Due to State School Volunteers		46.80
Due to State Divisions (June & July)		122.00
Total	$	348.95

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, AUGUST 1953

SPEECH-MAKING & TRAVEL

George Mitchell

August 14, for a touring group of foreign students, auspices Association for World Travel Exchange.

August 20, for Southern Hazen Conference of Educators at Warren Wilson College. Five new members for SRC.

August 2, Youth Fellowship, Peachtree Road Presbyterian Church, Atlanta.

August 28, class in School of Architecture, Georgia Institute of Technology.

August 17-21, attended Catholic Committee of the South conference at Belmont Abbey, to work out a program of Southern economic and social progress.

Mrs. Tilly

Addressed annual conference of the women of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Atlanta; WSCS conference at Beersheba Springs, Tennessee.

Katherine Stoney

Attended the Southeast YWCA Conference for Employed Women, Camp Sequoyah, near Weaverville, North Carolina. Miss Stoney was money collector, registrar, bed-finder, statistician, and axel-greaser.

Harold Fleming

Was interviewed in a fifteen-minute television program in Atlanta on the subject of public school segregation cases. The program, sponsored by the Atlanta Christian Council, followed generally the outline of the Council's forthcoming publication on the schools and courts.

COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES

The whole $4,000 is now in hand. Still not enough really to do the project, but we have started the process of selecting a suitable Commission and getting a base on the types of crime to be looked at by the various law schools whose aid will be solicited. Letters sent out to several legal figures in the South for advice.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

We still know of only four actual discussion groups, but we hope that the printing of the first pamphlet for such groups will enable us to get a great many more. Copy has been at the printer now for several days, and the publication should be out by next week. We will issue 4,000 as the August number of New South, thus getting it out to our own people, and print another 4,000 for general use. The letters have been written to church and educational organizations to enlist interest in wide use of the pamphlet. Its title--Questions and Answers: The Schools and Courts.

Mrs. Tilly held a meeting of Georgia church and civic leaders to lay plans for local discussion groups on the schools and the courts. The group asked the Georgia Committee on Interracial Cooperation to serve as coordinator of this activity in the State.

ANNA GREENE SMITH RETURNS TO AGNES SCOTT

During the summer months Miss Smith has done for us a job of linking the various State volunteers on schools. She has put out a bulletin each two weeks to the growing mailing list of people interested in the issues arising out of the pending Supreme Court cases. With her return to teaching, we have no staff person directly at work on the schools matter, but we will all turn in and try to build further on the basis of what she has accomplished.

CONSULTATION WITH EDUCATION STUDY

The study of Southern schools being made by the Fund for the Advancement of Education is being steered from Atlanta by a three-man staff, including John Griffin, an Executive Committee member. The other two are Phil Hammer and Mozell Hill. Harold Fleming has been working closely with the staff in an advisory capacity.

MONEY MATTERS AND PROGRAM AHEAD

On the present outlook, we are lacking about $4,000 of enough to see the Council through till the end of the year. Feelers are out for some or all of that much, but whether they will be successful or not remains to be seen. Letters were written during the month to the Sigmund Silberman Foundation, the CIO, the Catholic Committee of the South, Miller and Rhoads at Richmond, and to two or three individuals who had previously been helpful.

Board member Morris Abram will make a trip to New York September 15 to interview the Fund for the Republic and see what their views are as to backing the Council for a long-range, follow-up program on school and other matters in the South.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The executive director has allowed the summer weeks to drag along in getting out letters to persons elected to the Board May 14. Forty-two have now accepted. Five or six have, for one reason or another, not accepted. We have letters out to eight more of those chosen. Clearly, a strong Board can be announced in a few weeks.

SERVICE TO WEEKLY MAGAZINES

Both Time and Newsweek did stories last month on the schools and segregation. Endless hours of conference by their local staff representatives with Harold Fleming.

The Council does an invaluable service to these and similar magazines. The amount of educating we do to get story writers straightened out is a caution. There ought to be some way to capitalize on the service, but so

far, we haven't found it. Though one local representative is trying to dig us up a substantial slice of money from a local businessman.

NEGRO POLICE

Anna Holden has almost completed the annual survey of Negro police employed in Southern cities and counties. Replies received thus far show that police chiefs like their Negro officers and are hiring more every year. Estimated number of cities and counties using--110 or more.

SURVEY MANUAL REPRINTS

We have exhausted the whole of the first printing of 6,000 copies of the survey manual. It continues to sell in dribbles and in good fat orders for college teaching. So we have ordered another thousand.

THE BIBLE & RACE

We received a month or two ago a copy of an interesting publication done by a special commission in the Union of South Africa, entitled Race: What Does the Bible Say? Though it is surprising, the Biblical arguments, re the Curse of Ham, etc., still show their heads in these our Southern States. We sent over to the Institute of Race Relations in South Africa and bought 75 copies. Sent out 25 ourselves to leading Southern church figures. The Southeastern Office of the National Council of Churches bought and sent out another 25, and the Division of Christian Relations of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. sent out 25 also. From the replies to us, this was an appreciated service.

MITCHELL VACATES

The annual gutter-cleaning and paint-up job occurred this year, as heretofore, August 3-12.

EMILY CALHOUN TAKES NEW JOB

Emily Calhoun has worked out a job for herself at Pendle Hill, outside Philadelphia, beginning September 21. She will be secretary to one of the head men at this Quaker center for graduate study. Distress hereabouts, but a "concern" is not to be denied. Mrs. Anna Owens, formerly secretary to Bishop Fountain of the AME Church, will take over Emily Calhoun's duties September 14.

THIS & THAT

George Mitchell is chairman of the sub-committee on Violence and Vandalism for the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials. Report to be made to the meeting of the Board and membership of NAIRO in Milwaukee November 11-13. Some correspondence to collect information.

Office of education wanted advice re de-segregation in schools. A Catholic layman having responsibility for collecting information on parochial school integration wanted facts, which were sent.

Assisted the Atlanta Urban League in preparing film strip on Atlanta's experience in securing better housing for Negroes.

American Friends Service Committee needed advice on expansion of its program on job opportunities.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for August, 1953

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$ 535.00
Contribution from Organization ("We the Women", Long Island, N.Y.)	13.00
Contribution from Church (Southeastern Jurisdiction, Woman's Society of Christian Service, Methodist Church)	50.00
Contribution from Foundation (Sigmund Silberman Foundation)	300.00
Members Dues	152.50
New South Subscriptions	13.50
Sale of literature	34.40
Honoraria	275.00
Total receipts	1,373.40

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 3,133.30
Social Security	19.98
Rent	105.00
Telephone & Telegraph (2 mos.)	147.19
Travel	42.54
Office Supplies	98.34
Postage	42.05
Printing	15.45
Books & subscriptions	12.22
Expenses for State School Volunteers	189.59
Georgia Sales Tax	.63
Misc. expense	.30
Total disbursements	$ 3,806.59

Balance on hand, August 1, 1953	$ 5,445.82
Receipts	1,373.40
	6,819.22
Disbursements	3,806.59
Balance on hand, September 1, 1953	$ 3,012.63

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 1953

Southern Bell Tel. & Tel. Co.		$ 19.70
The Mimeograph Co.		25.20
Elliott Addressing Machine Co.		1.99
Office Supply Co.		6.86
Due to State Divisions		162.50
Total		$ 216.25

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS - August Receipts and Disbursements

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

Balance, Aug. 1		$ 1,345.61
Disbursements		
Steno services	$ 57.00	
Travel	41.32	
Office Supplies	21.31	
Total		119.63
Balance on hand, Sept. 1		$ 1,225.98

NEW SOUTH APPROPRIATION

Balance, August 1		$ 2,009.88
Disbursements		
Printing	$ 186.40	
		186.40
Balance on hand, Sept. 1		1,823.48

COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES

Balance, August 1, 1953		$ 2,785.93
Receipts		
Doris Duke Foundation	$ 1,000.00	
Alex. F. Miller	25.00	
		1,025.00
Balance on Hand, Sept. 1		$ 3,810.93

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC/
ATLANTA, GEORGIA
DECEMBER 7, 1953

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST - NOVEMBER - 1953

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TRAVEL and SPEECHES

In the beginning of the month, at Tuskegee for installation of President L H Foster, Jr.

November third to the student body and several classes at Talladega College.

Next day at Scarritt College, Nashville, Tennessee, for the student body and faculty; and on November five at Peabody College, same city, for a couple of seminars of educational administrators. Also visited Tennessee A & I University and spoke to a group there.

November seven: Mobile, to talk to Alabama State Meeting of NAACP, and

November ten: Miami for a notable dinner given by the first publicly sponsored human relations body in the Southern states - the Dade County Council on Community Relations. Several talks to classes at the University of Miami.

November 11-12: In St Paul, Minnesota, for the annual meeting of the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials. The meeting gave me a chance to bring up to date on Council matters Reverend Vincent O'Connell, a former member of the Executive Committee.

On the eighteenth, in Atlanta for a final discussion group meeting with the Liberal Church; and

On the 22d and 23d at Washington, D C, for the Fortieth Anniversary Celebration of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. Sat by Dr Charles A Johnson who enlightened me as to the identity of a couple named Robinson at our table: "That's Jackie!"

In the course of the Washington trip, called on the newly-elected Chairman of the South Carolina Division, Judge Richard Foster, of the Juvenile Court at Greenville, South Carolina. Saw among others Bishop W Y Bell at South Boston, Virginia, who took 100 copies of QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS for his church group. Mr J Rupert Picott at Richmond, for the Virginia State Teachers Association, placed a goodly order of which I was able to deliver 450 copies from the back of the car; and in Washington, Mr Elmer Henderson, for the American Council on Human Rights, bought 200 to send out to its highly placed members.

In November HAROLD FLEMING went to Norfolk, talked to the Women's Interracial Council there, and discussed school segregation on a radio program. The Norfolk Council thrives. Mrs Vivian Carter Mason, who was one of its founders, was recently elected National President of the National Council of Negro Women.

Harold Fleming also:

Conferred at length with the editor of the Emory University JOURNAL OF PUBLIC LAW re: a projected special issue to be published immediately following the Supreme Court's decision on public school segregation.

Supplied information and analysis to church and civic groups concerned about the Georgia proposal to convert to private schools if the Supreme Court rules against segregation. Several of the groups publicly opposed the measure (which passed in the Legislature, nevertheless), and others circulated facts to their memberships.

Had several discussions with executive secretary of Atlanta's Metropolitan Planning Commission, looking toward machinery for reducing racial housing tensions.

A report on the study of bi-racial education recently conducted by the Ford Foundation's Fund for the Advancement of Education is being prepared by Harry Ashmore for publication some time early in 1954. Harold Fleming has made important contributions to the study. The report will make available additional information on public school segregation for SRC to translate into community action.

Some of MRS M E TILLY's activities for November included trips to Gainesville, Thomaston and Ben Hill, Georgia, for meetings of Interracial Committees; work with the Women's Society of Christian Service for the Methodist Church; a Georgia conference which subsequently released a statement against the "school give-away" bill in the Legislature; similar activity with the Active Voters; and an effort to get action from the Church Women of Georgia which resulted only in getting an analysis of the bill sent out to local units.

Mrs Tilly spoke to four church women's groups. Met with one of the classes at Emory University. Met with a group of Atlanta teachers.

The October round-up of staff activities should have carried mention of Mrs Tilly's trip to Atlanta City to the Assembly of United Church Women, with definite Committee assignments. She was put on a Committee for the United Nations evening.

ANNA HOLDEN received and filled an unusual number of requests for specialized information.

We sent out the attached to the 200 Chiefs of Police and Sheriffs who had cooperated with us on making up the September summary on Negro police in Southern states. This release brought in several new towns and counties we had not known of. The Chief of San Antonio, Texas, wrote back that of the various racial groups in his city the Negro community was the most law-abiding.

SCHOOLS AND COURTS

The two pamphlets on the Schools and the Courts continues to move gratifyingly. Here are some of the November orders:

Presbyterian Church in the U S A	2600
National Council - Protestant Episcopal Church	200
A F L - Washington, D C	1000
American Council on Human Rights - Washington, D C	200
National Council of Negro Women - Washington, D C	196
University of Kentucky - Ky School Board Association	235
Bishop W Y Bell, South Boston, Virginia	100
Tulsa Council of Churches	100
Women's Council on Interracial Cooperation - Norfolk -	100
Haskell Public Schools - Haskell, Texas	12
United Christian Missionary Society - Indianapolis	1100
Com on Christian Social Action - Evangelical and Reformed Church - Cleveland, Ohio	200
Southern Baptist Convention - Nashville, Tennessee	250
St Peters Episcopal Church - Rome, Georgia	75
National Board YWCA - Atlanta	200
New York University	20
A J C - New York	100

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS has had three printings of 5000 and one of 10,000 - the record so far for a SRC publication.

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

The American Federation of Labor, from its headquarters in Washington, sent us $1000.00. This could be attributed, in good part, to the Council's co-operation in staffing various Southern AFL Labor Schools. The William C Whitney Fund sent $1000.00 also. The Southern Presbyterian's sent in $200.00; and the Aaron E Norman Fund sent $100.00. Other sizable amount were: LeMoyne College, Memphis, Tennessee, $26.00; Louisville Conference - Women's Conference of Christian Service - Methodist Church, $25.00; Dr Charlotte Hawkins Brown, Palmer Memorial Institute, Sedalia, North Carolina, $25.00.

THIS and THAT

Article for forthcoming SOCIAL ORDER. At the request of Father Raymond Bernard of St Louis, GSM did an eight-page screed on the present state of segregation in the South. Promised for January publication.

The Board is now complete and terms have been drawn by lot and all members notified. Complete list attached. The newspapers report the unfortunate death of Mr E W Palmer of Kingsport, Tennessee, which we regret exceedingly.

FUND FOR THE REPUBLIC

Special efforts were made during the month to get the Council's needs borne in upon the Fund for the Republic through Congressman Brooks Hays and the Honorable John Sparkman, both of whom know the new president of the Fund, Honorable Clifford Case, former Congressman from New Jersey. Various others have been helpful in approaching the Fund for the Republic on our behalf.

FINANCE REPORT

KATHERINE STONEY has compiled the attached report of the state of the finances of SRC.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL — FINANCE REPORT FOR NOVEMBER, 1953

Receipts

Contributions from Individuals		$ 30.00
Contributions from Organizations		1036.00
A F L	$1000.00	
LeMoyne College Faculty	26.00	
History Club - A&I University	10.00	
Contributions from Churches		225.00
Bd of Church Extension- Presby Church in US	200.00	
Louisville Confer - WSCS- Methodist Church	25.00	
Contributions from Foundations		1100.00
Wm C Whitney Foundation	1000.00	
Aaron E Norman Fund	100.00	
Members Dues		252.00
New South Subscriptions		39.00
Misc Literature sales		725.09
Honoraria		150.00
Total Receipts		3557.09

Disbursements

Salaries	$ 2566.65
Social Security (Cost to Council)	14.77
Printing	586.31
Telephone & Telegraph	138.46
Rent	105.00
Office Supplies	61.62
Travel	45.63
Postage	20.07
Special Services	16.26
Georgia Sales Tax	6.07
Bank exchange	.30
Books & sub	.20
Total Disbursements	3561.34

Balance, November 1	$ 51.27
Receipts	3557.09
	3608.36
Disbursements	3561.34
Balance Dec 1	47.02

Accounts Payable		Accounts Receivable	
Stein Printing Company	$ 1433.33	Due for pamphlets	$ 674.40
Southern Bell Tel Co	44.82		
Office Supply	26.63		
Mimeograph Company	19.12		
Columbia Ribbon & Carbon Co	4.84		
Western Union Co	.81		
Elliot Address Machine	5.68		
Due to State Division	153.50		
	$ 1688.73		674.40

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL ATLANTA, GEORGIA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Abram, Morris B	Attorney	Healey Bldg - Atlanta, Georgia
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Gomillion, Dr C G	Educator	Tuskegee Institute, Alabama
Griffin, John A	Professor	Emory University, Georgia
Hamilton, Mrs Grace T	Executive	Atlanta Urban League, Atlanta, Georgia
Johnson, Dr Charles S	Educator	Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee
Johnson, Dr Guy B	Professor	University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, North Carolina
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Milner, Dr Clyde	Educator	Guilford College, North Carolina
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Moron, Dr A G	Educator	Hampton Institute, Virginia
Palmer, E W	Publisher	KINGSPORT PRESS, Kingsport, Tennessee
Parrish, Dr C H	Professor	University of Louisville, Louisville, Ky
Penick, Rt Rev E A	Bishop	802 Hillsboro Street, Raleigh, N C
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Robinson, Mrs E U	Church Leader	675 North Waters Street, Gallatin, Tenn
Shean, Rev M V, C O	Priest	Box 895, Rock Hill, South Carolina
Shaw, Charles A	Insurance Exec	Watchtower Life Insurance Company 2206 Dowling Street, Houston, Texas
Smith, J Edwin	Attorney	Scanlan Building, Houston, Texas
Spearman, Mrs E H	Church Leader	1511 Laurel Street, Columbia, S C
Stroud, Mrs Tommie	Civic Leader	3225 Maple Avenue, Waco, Texas
Sytz, Miss Florence	Professor	Tulane School of Social Work New Orleans, Louisiana
Thomas, Judge L E	Attorney	1035 N W Second Avenue, Miami, Florida
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Wilkins, Miss Josephine	Civic Leader	Athens, Georgia
Williams, Paul D	Businessman	3320 Gloucester Rd, Richmond, Virginia
Young, Thomas W	Publisher	JOURNAL & GUIDE, Norfolk, Virginia

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(SENT OUT ON SRC LETTERHEAD. TABLE REFERRED TO IS REPRODUCED ON PAGE SIX OF NEW SOUTH, OCTOBER-NOVEMBER, 1953 ISSUE)

November 20, 1953

Dear Sir:

For several years past you and the other Chiefs and Sheriffs in the Southern states have most kindly let us have on request the facts as to the employment of Negro police personnel.

We are grateful for your aid in this, and take pleasure in sending you the table compiled from the responses as of September, 1953.

Sincerely

George S Mitchell
Executive Director

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL PROPOSED BUDGET FOR April 1953 through December 31, 1953

Salaries	$ 22,488.82	
Social Security	265.00	
Rent	945.00	
Travel	2,500.00	
Office Supplies	800.00	
Postage	450.00	
Telephone & Telegraph	750.00	
Books & Subscriptions	75.00	
Sales Tax	9.00	
Misc.	100.00	
		$ 28,382.82
New South - printing	1,700.00	
" " - postage	400.00	
		2,100.00
		$ 30,482.82
Expenses for first three months of 1953		10,607.40
Projected total expense for 1953		$ 40,090.22

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Proposed budget for period May 1 through December 31, 1953

Salaries	$ 19,999.84
Social Security	200.00
Special salaries	700.00
Rent	840.00
Travel	2,000.00
Office supplies	700.00
Postage	400.00
Telephone & telegraph	700.00
Books & subscriptions	60.00
Georgia sales tax	8.00
Bank exchange	4.00
State School volunteers (expenses)	1,800.00
Printing	400.00
Board and Membership meet.	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
	$ 28,911.84

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Report of Special Projects - Jan. 1 - April 30, 1953

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1953		$ 306.28
Receipts:		
John Hay Whitney Foundation		1,500.00
		1,806.28
Disbursements:		
Salary, Mrs. Tilly	$ 100.00	
Travel, Mrs. Tilly	58.75	
Steno Services	30.00	
Bank charge	.53	189.28
Balance on hand, May 1, 1953		$ 1,617.00

NEW SOUTH APPROPRIATION

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1953		$ 500.52
Receipts:		
The Field Foundation		2,500.00
		3,000.52
Disbursements:		
Printing	352.71	
Postage	130.00	
Bank charge	.09	
		482.80
Balance on hand, May 1, 1953		$ 2,517.72

COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1953		$ 1,261.59
Receipts:		
Interest earned	$ 6.25	
John Rust Foundation (May 1st)	1,000.00	
		1,006.25
Balance on hand, May 1, 1953		$ 2,267.84

January 18, 1954

Citizens Trust Co.
Auburn Avenue,
Atlanta, Georgia

Attention: Bookkeeping Dept.

Gentlemen:

Will you please send to our auditor, Mr. L. E. Campbell a statement as of December 31, 1953 of the balance in both our checking account and our savings account (No. 14895) as well as a statement of any notes, charges, etc. due the bank by our Council.

Please address your communication to:
Mr. L. E. Campbell
Box 397
Emory University, Ga.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.

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cc: Mr. Campbell

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A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council was held in the Council offices, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, at 10:15 a.m., Saturday, March 21, 1953. President Marion A. Wright presided. Mrs. M. E. Tilly gave the invocation.

The following members were present:

Marion A. Wright	Leonard Haas
John A. Griffin	Alfred Mynders
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie	Paul Christopher

The following staff members were present:

George S. Mitchell	Harold C. Fleming	Anna Holden
Mrs. M. E. Tilly	Katherine Stoney	Emily Calhoun

It was agreed to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

~~FUND-RAISING EFFORTS OF PRESIDENT WRIGHT~~

Interim Grant from Ford Foundation

Mr. Wright told of his contacts by letter and in person with Mr. Chester S. Davis of the WINSTON-SALEM JOURNAL-SENTINEL, son of Chester C. Davis of the Ford Foundation. [redacted] Young Mr. Davis had contacted his father on behalf of the Council, and Chester C. Davis had arranged for the Ford Foundation to make a grant of $20,000 to the Council within the next few days. (see p. 3.)

Contributions Just Received

Mr. Wright ~~also~~ brought with him ~~[illegible]~~ contributions from several individuals he had contacted in the last few days, and opened mail from various board members containing contributions to the Council. (See p. 3)

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

School Committees

Dr. Mitchell reminded committee members that he had sent them copies of a letter sent to the Fund for the Republic outlining the setting up of School Committees in each of the Southern States. Dr. Mitchell explained that he got the idea from a project of the American Friends Service Committee in Washington, designed to

ease people into accepting desegregated schools. The Service Committee and other human relations agencies in Washington had been called on by the District of Columbia for advice on desegregating the schools. ¶ Dr. Mitchell expressed the hope that the Southern Regional Council might do something similar in each Southern State, and a letter was written to the Fund for the Republic requesting funds for setting up such projects. This would involve setting up a truly representative board to study the school situation, in each State, with a few paid workers to supply them with the facts. The job of the School Committees would be to give the facts to the public. The Ford Foundation had offered to let the Council have $25,000 to work on a project of this kind in two States, but it was decided not to do this, as the acceptance of such a grant might jeopardize chances of receiving a larger grant later, and, furthermore, $25,000 would not be enough money to do the job even in two States.

Request for aid from F for R

Dr. Mitchell described contacts with various members of the Fund for the Republic Board on behalf of the Southern Regional Council, including several lengthy conversations Mrs. Milton Adler of New Orleans had had with Elmo Roper. Mr. Roper had advised the Council to send a second letter to the Fund for the Republic outlining specific programs we would launch upon receipt of a large grant. This was done. Mr. Haas reported that his wife had spoken recently to Mrs. John Hay Whitney about the Council.

It was explained that the Fund for the Republic would probably not give its attention to the Council's request for several months, and certainly not until a president of the Fund had been selected. The interim grant of $20,000 was expected to last through the end of 1953.

Development Councils in Louisiana

The executive director reported on a recent trip to Simmesport, Louisiana, at the invitation of Father Marvin Bordelon. Dr. Mitchell met with one of several Parish Development Councils in Louisiana, organized to explore ways of improving the basic economy of the parish. The council, composed of a number of leading citizens worked on problems of housing, health, industrial opportunities, land

tenure, etc. Dr. Mitchell suggested that it would be well for SRC to set up similar councils all over the South.

Interim Grant

Mr. Wright read a letter from Chester C. Davis, confirming the $20,000 grant, to be sent to the Council upon receipt at the New York office of photostatic copies of the Council's certificate of tax exemption. Mr. Wright also read the terms of the grant.

Project for Increasing Negro Vote

Dr. Mitchell mentioned a recent conference with Dr. Will Alexander, who had been employed by Edgar Stern to advise him on projects the Stern Foundation could support. Dr. Alexander said that Mr. Stern was interested in improving local government and might contribute to a Council project for that purpose. Dr. Mitchell explained a plan he and Mrs. Tilly had worked out for getting church women to work toward enlarging the Negro vote. This would involve contacting their local boards of registrars and taking other measures to remove obstacles to Negro registration and voting. A letter had been sent to Dr. Alexander outlining the project, and Dr. Alexander was to discuss it with Mr. Stern.

Interim Grant

Mr. Fleming raised the question of whether the Council should publicize the Ford grant, pointing out that the terms of the grant would permit, but not require, publicizing. After considerable discussion, it was decided to tell no one of the grant except members of the Executive Committee who were not present. Mr. Wright was to write those members, telling them of the grant and explaining that it had been decided not to publicize it.

Contributions Just Received

Mr. Wright read a letter from Dr. Gordon Hancock, enclosing a personal check for fifty dollars and telling of another fifty-dollar contribution from a friend. Miss Stoney reported that the check had been received that morning. Miss Stoney also told of the receipt of a check for $141 from the Emory University Community Chest.

State Divisions

Continuing with his report, the executive director told of activities of the State Divisions and interracial committees in Alabama, New Orleans, and Texas, explaining that the New Orleans Committee was about to hire a paid worker and the Texas Commission hoped to be able to hire a paid worker soon.

Ways of Increasing Negro Support for SRC

Mrs. Bernie expressed concern that the Negro population was not contributing more to the Council. Mr. Wright agreed, pointing that this absence of Negro support made it particularly difficult to approach wealthy white persons. Dr. Mitchell reminded Committee members that Dr. Clement had undertaken to get the various Negro Methodist groups to put the Council in their budgets. Mr. Wright suggested that wealthy Negroes might consider the Council too slow-moving an organization and might prefer to give their money to organizations like the NAACP. Mrs. Birnie doubted that the NAACP was getting much financial support either. She suggested that there should be a definite appeal to some of the Negro organizations, insurance companies, etc. We should let them know something about desegregating and what we are trying to do. Mr. Wright said that he planned to contact Mr. John Wheeler, president of the Farmers and Mechanics Bank in Durham, and ask him if he didn't think the time had arrived for Negroes to give more support to the Council. Several members expressed approval of this plan. Mr. Haas pointed out that this was a critical year for the Council, and that we should impress upon various Negro organizations and individuals in a position to help us the importance of matching the Ford grant with funds from within the South.

REPORT OF MRS. TILLY

Mrs. Tilly reported on activities of the Georgia Committee, especially the success of efforts to curb the use of racial prejudice in a Congressional election in South Georgia. Mrs. Tilly pointed out that through the Southern Regional Council, she was able to reach any community in the South where trouble was brewing.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

Mr. Fleming told of the popularity and good news coverage of the last three issues of NEW SOUTH, and called the attention of committee members to an exhibit of news coverage given the "Race and Suffrage" issue, as well as the article by Chester S. Davis in the Winston-Salem paper.

Mrs. Bernie pointed out that Negro registration and voting would increase as more Negroes run for office. Dr. Clement's candidacy for the Board of Education in Atlanta was cited as an example.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Miss Stoney told of the large number of orders for the FEPC issue of NEW SOUTH, mostly from outside the South, though many orders had been received from Southern, as well as Northern and Western colleges. The attached financial report was distributed to members. It was pointed out that the audit had been sent to all members of the Executive Committee. We closed the year with about $1,000 in the bank but with a good many unpaid bills. These bills have since been paid.

Miss Stoney presented the attached proposed budget, and compared the expenses for 1951 and '52 with the proposed expenditures for 1953. She pointed out that $6,000 of the proposed increase in the budget represented an increase in salaries. $6,700 of the budget had been obtained during the first three months of 1953. Dr. Mitchell listed various grants from individuals and foundations that were expected during the remainder of the year, totaling $21,450; and listed several probable grants amounting to $5,000. Mr. Haas pointed out that approximately $500 had been received in the mail that morning, which had not been expected.

Fund-Raising Efforts of President Wright

Mr. Wright said he was reasonably sure of receiving contributions from two sources: Mr. James Hanes of Winston-Salem and Mrs. Julius W. Cohn of Greensboro. Mr. Hanes puts up most of the money to pay salary of Mr. S. D. Harvey, secretary of the Urban League in Winston-Salem. Mr. Wright went to see Harvey, who agreed to approach Hanes on behalf of the SRC. In Greensboro, through Tartt Bell Mr. Wright saw Farther Dolan, who called up Mrs. Cohn. Mr. Wright left SRC material with her and talked with her by phone. She asked him to write, telling her more about SRC. Father Dolan said he thought Ralph Price, a member of his church, would also help. Mr. Wright asked whether we could approach people like Mrs. Cohn about contributing funds that would be earmarked. Mr. Wright had already told Mrs. Cohn about the equal penalties commission and the need for another thousand to match the Doris Duke contribution. Dr. Mitchell agreed that the most pressing project was obtaining

funds for the Equal Penalties Commission, and that next in importance would be getting money for the School Committees.

Suggestions from Mr. Christopher

Mr. Christopher pointed out that John Riffe had just been appointed to succeed Allan Haywood, who had, before his death, sent out a letter on behalf of SRC to all the industrial union councils. Mr. Christopher said that Mr. Riffe was a friend of SRC and would support our request for aid from the CIO. He was to be in town Monday and Mr. Christopher was to speak to him. Mr. Christopher said this would be a good time to approach the AFL for support.

The meeting adjourned for lunch.

~~UNFINISHED BUSINESS~~

~~Mr. Haas--What sort of response will Mr. Wright make to Chester C.~~ Davis's letter?

Annual Meeting

Dr. Mitchell brought up the matter of the annual meeting, which had been postponed since last November. He suggested that an annual meeting this spring might be the time to launch a real campaign to raise some Southern money, but probably would not be the time to put through a new set of by-laws. Mr. Wright suggested that the annual meeting could adopt the by-laws but at the same time pass a resolution saying that the by-laws would become effective at the time fixed by the Executive Committee. This would enable the by-laws to go into effect if and when a major grant was received.

It was voted to hold the annual meeting in May, at such time as might be determined by the president and the executive director. In considering whether to let the May meeting serve for 1952 and '53, it was decided to settle that question at a later date.

Southerners for Democratic Action

Mr. Wright told of an invitation he had received to a meeting in New York in April of a new organization called "Southerners for Democratic Action." The invitation had been received through Judge Waites Waring, and Mr. Wright had written Judge Waring suggesting that the new organization might provide the Council with some funds.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that we should be sure the organization was a reputable

organization before affiliating ourselves with it in any way. Mr. Wright raised the question of whether he should go to the meeting, which would enable him to look the organization over and decide whether it would be wise for SRC to work with it. Mr. Christopher strongly urged that we get some reliable people in New York to find out about the organization and report to us before we affiliate ourselves with in any way. An unsuccessful attempt to get in touch with Catherine Winston of the CIO in New York was made during the meeting. Mr. Christopher was to contact Miss Winston and/or other New York friends as soon as possible and let Mr. Wright know by April 1 what he had found out.

School Committees (cap.)

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that the main issue confronting the South and the Council this year was segregation in the schools. We must inform the South on that. You can't get from this office the information needed. In the absence of sufficient funds to hire research people to study thoroughly the school situation in each of the Southern States, Dr. Mitchell suggested that the Council select a volunteer person in each State who would inform himself as well as possible and report to the Council offices in Atlanta. The volunteer would be given a modest expense allowance, and, in some States it might be necessary to pay the volunteer a small additional sum for his work. Such an undertaking would form the skeleton of the kind of organization the Council would want to build up in each State if it received a large grant. It could be carried on for one thousand to three thousand dollars till the end of 1953. If the Council received additional funds, the project could be expanded.

Mr. Wright asked exactly what would be expected of the volunteers. Dr. Mitchell--they would find out about the difference between Negro and white schools, the cost of equalization, etc. He pointed to a map on the wall showing counties over the South with less than five percent Negro population. "If we could get these counties to open up, it would mean that some counties in most of the Southern States would have unsegregated schools. That would make it easier to get other counties to desegregate." Dr. Mitchell raised the question of whether the Council should

push this idea of desegregating the schools in counties with small Negro populations. He mentioned the increase in "super-consolidation," where Negro children from four or five counties are hauled many miles to a single school.

Mr. Griffin asked what would be the effect on a small group of Negro children who went to a primarily white school. Dr. Mitchell agreed that that would have to be worked on before the schools opened up. He pointed out that white children are consistently taught misinformation about Negroes.

Mrs. Birnie asked about the law in the Southern States on giving the counties authority to decide what to do about desegregating.

Mr. Fleming pointed out that the Council needed many more facts about the school situation than it has or is able to get from the Atlanta office. We need local people to supply us with these facts. There are probably places in the South where Negroes have already been admitted to white schools, and we should know about it.

Mr. Wright--This should not be given publicity.

Mr. Fleming--No, but we should know about it in order to plan.

Mr. Haas--What are the chances of getting people in the various States to take on this volunteer job?

Dr. Mitchell--Pretty good. He mentioned people in several of the States whom he had in mind for the job.

Mr. Haas suggested Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor, sociology teacher at the University of Kentucky as a volunteer worker for that State. Dr. Parrish was also mentioned.

Mr. Wright that the project begin with a fairly thorough study of the "five per cent" counties in North Carolina, instead of touching on the South as a whole. "I would rather see it done intensively as to a small area."

Dr. Mitchell--"I have in mind very little study, but rather somebody in the State who's got the facts and is prepared to get somebody to act.."

There was some discussion of school consolidation, and it was pointed out that there was a movement in North Carolina on the part of white families against super-consolidation. Dr. Mitchell suggested that NEW SOUTH run an article about super-consolidation. Mr. Fleming pointed out that the story on the South Carolina school situation was very important for the South, and that if the Council had had a correspondent in that State at the time the school amendment was passed, NEW SOUTH could have carried the story when it was news. As it is, the story appeared belatedly in the February issue.

Dr. Mitchell—"Can the Council, in the event that the Supreme Court gives a decision that makes this area by area desegregation possible, advocate an area by area policy?"

Mrs. Birnie—"I think it's detrimental legally. This desegregation will be a slow process. Somewhere along the line we'll run into trouble if the State is not going to be held responsible for its State legislative acts. If the States shirk their responsibility and leave it up to each county, that will tighten the segregation and make it impossible to strike at desegregation legally. If we don't suggest to these State bodies that they might have this method as an out, it might be all right. But it might be a suggestion to the State legislatures on how to avoid responsibility.

Mr. Wright—"If you could get a volunteer worker in each Southern State, there is certainly no harm in doing that right away?"

It was pointed out that Mrs. Birnie and Dr. Clement were on a committee and that nothing would be done without their approval.

Mr. Griffin—"I don't feel that this is the best thing to spend our energies on right now." Perhaps more important is pulling together at once some people from Atlanta and other places in the South who are interested in this problem to consider what we should be doing now. Maybe get together State school superintendents or other persons with official connections to anticipate the Supreme Court Decision. We could call to their attention the fact that they have got to do something.

Dr. Mitchell—We are assembling in Atlanta next Friday a meeting of agencies in the South concerned with human relations to consider the question of segregation in the schools.

Mr. Wright told of the meeting of the North Carolina Division two months ago, at which the main topic of discussion was "After the Supreme Court Decision on Segregation, What?" Mr. Wright expressed the hope that similar meetings could be held in every State capital in the South. "If such meetings were held under our auspices, it would make our members in each State realize that we were engaging in some activity.

Mr. Haas—"The information collected by volunteer people from each State would be extremely helpful for such meetings."

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that we would need to have the facts before planning any action on the question of school segregation.

RAISING MONEY IN THE SOUTH

Dr. Mitchell—"At the annual meeting in May we will need to raise the question of how to raise a good sum of money in the South this year." He asked whether Mr. Wright might go to see Mr. John Wheeler prior to the annual meeting and ask him to see Negroes who would be willing to contribute to the Council.

It was pointed out that the success of the Council's application to the Ford Foundation will depend to a large extent on whether the Negroes in the South support the Council during 1953.

Mr. Wright asked whether there was any formal action the Executive Committee should take in requesting Mr. Wheeler to raise money for the Council. He suggested setting up a committee to write a resolution asking Mr. Wheeler to take the job.

Mr. Haas—"I think we could get him to accept if we put it on the basis of getting a large grant from the Ford Foundation."

Mr. Wright—"We should put something in NEW SOUTH about the Negroes' responsibility needs to be more. Mr. Wheeler could have this in hand when he talks or writes to people about contributing money."

Mr. Wright also suggested that an article appear in NEW SOUTH on Southern industry's stake in race relations. "If what we are doing in the SRC is successful, it must produce better race relations. You are the employer of Negro workers and of whites. If you get good relations between them, you get a better type of product or a larger volume of product. We have never directed any of our attention to interesting persons of wealth. We need to make industrialists realize that they have a prettyvital stake in what we are doing. What we are trying to do will ultimately reflect itself in better property values, etc."

Mr. Fleming—"In both kinds of articles Mr. Wright mentioned we should get persons who know what they're talking about to speak in their own name. For example, Mr. Wheeler might be induced to write the article on Negroes doing more. Also, somebody who speaks with some authority should write on industry."

Mrs Birnie suggested Dr. Helen Edwards at Durham College. History teacher. Mr. Wheeler knows her. She might write the article about industry. Mr. George W. Cox, one of the vice-presidents and director of all agencies for the North Carolina Mutual, would be very helpful.

Mrs. Birnie—"Could Mr. Wheeler in getting money from Negro insurance companies and other corporations, so work it that it might be a lead for individual contributions by Negroes? Mr. Wheeler might stress the fact that the North Carolina Mutual has decided to give a substantial amount to the Council and urge its policy holders to make contributions."

Mr. Christopher—"I don't think a NEW SOUTH leaflet directed to industry would do any good, because it's industry more than anybody else that is profiting by the division in the races, and most of them don't want to see the breach healed. The one man with some influence in textiles would be Donald Comer. There are a lot of new companies coming into the South that will one day have to use Negro labor. In Texas and Louisiana, expecially, in chemicals. No hope in DuPont. International Minerals

and Chemicals are pretty good. If we're going to contact industry, we must be very selective."

Dr. Mitchell--"We don't have to do anything now. We can just think about it."

Mrs. Birnie asked whether it would be wise to contact the Atlanta Life Insurance Company or Pilgrim Life as well as Mr. Wheeler. Dr. Mitchell explained that he had never been able to reach them in the past. Mrs. Birnie offered to see Mr. Martin on behalf of the Council to "soften him up" for a formal approach.

Mr. Griffin pointed out that now the staff was 100% white and that the next time a staff person was added, it should be a Negro. Mrs. Birnie said she would try to line up some young ladies who might want to volunteer. It was pointed out that a Negro volunteer, Miss Sue Crank, had recently done some work for the Council and was expected to help us again after the end of March.

Mr. Wright asked whether, ~~as soon as the $20,000 grant arrived from the Ford Foundation,~~ the staff should be instructed to pay all the Council's debts as soon as the $20,000 grant arrived from the Ford Foundation. He included in this the longstanding $1,500 loan on Dr. Mitchell's life insurance policy. Dr. Mitchell suggested that the Ford money should not be used to pay that debt directly, but that the Ford money would release other money to pay the loan. Mr. Christopher suggested that the loan be paid with the Ford money as soon as possible, pointing out that there was no reason to continue paying interest to the insurance company. It was agreed that all debts, including the loan, be paid with the first available funds.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

May 13, 1953

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council was held at Atlanta University, Harkness Hall, 223 Chestnut Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia, at 10:00 a. m., Wednesday, May 13, 1953. President Marion A. Wright presided. Rabbi Charles Mantinband gave the invocation.

The following members were present:

Marion A. Wright
Florence Sytz
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
Mrs. Milton P. Adler
Mrs. James S. Crate
~~Mrs. W. H. Hogue~~
John Long
O. D. Duncan
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
A. T. Butler
Guy B. Johnson
Leonard Haas
Gordon B. Hancock

Proxy for Rev. L. J. Twomey

A. W. Dent
F.D. Patterson
Forrester B. Washington
Rev. W. Carroll Brooke
Mrs. W. C. White (with proxy for Davisson Dunlap)
Rufus E. Clement
Paul D. Williams
Paul R. Christopher
Herbert M. Davidson
Benjamin E. Mays
C. H. Parrish
James M. Dabbs
~~Gadsden Shand~~

Glenn Rainey

Mrs. Charles Robeson
~~(Proxy~~ (with proxy for Mrs. E. U. Robinson)

The following staff members were present:

George S. Mitchell
Harold C. Fleming
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Katherine Stoney
Emily Calhoun

The following visitors were present:

Mrs. Herbert M. Davidson
Mrs. W. H. Hogue
Gadsden Shand
Rebecca Reid
Mrs. R. L. Turman

Katherine Stoney gave a summary of the minutes of the last Board meeting, held December 12, 1951. On motion, It was voted to ~~accept~~ approve the summary as read.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mr. Haas read the attached report from the Executive Committee to the Board of Directors. ~~As there~~ were no questions or objections, the report was accepted as read.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

New South

The latest issue of New South on "Law Versus Practice in Interstate Travel" was described. This issue was being sent to the chief officials of all major railway lines in the South, to various organizations of railway workers, and to chief officers of bus lines serving the South.

Mrs. Tilly's continuing work was described in getting church women to ~~carry copies of [illegible] Law Enforcement~~ visit their sheriffs and talk with them about

carrying out the principles stressed in Race and Law Enforcement.

The wide circulation all over the country of the FEPC issue of New South was mentioned.

The SRC staff wrote a long chapter for the Negro Year Book, published at Tuskegee, on "The Negro and Race Relations in the South."

Paid Personnel in Each State

Dr. Mitchell expressed the hope that the Council would receive a large grant to enable hiring paid personnel in each State, with the personnel selected by the State Divisions and paid from the central office. These paid workers would do the following things:

1. Work in each State on getting small-town newspapers, as well as the city ones, to carry out the principles of Race in the News.
2. Work on getting towns to do home-town self surveys. Maybe have one or two such surveys in each State each year.
3. Increasing the Negro vote. This must be worked on county by county. We should make studies of the Negro vote in each State and work to bring it up. Mrs. Tilly and the church women can work on this. We may get about $4,000 a year for Mrs. Tilly to work on this project.
4. Extending economic opportunity. We can work with the Urban League and other organizations on this.
5. Human relations in the schools. There are two kinds of teaching in our divided school system. Negro children are taught one thing and white children another. White children are taught almost nothing about Negro achievement and Negro needs. We should get into all the school systems sound instruction on human relations.
6. School segregation. Whatever the Supreme Court says, there will be a great deal of change and a great deal of expenditure. We should have Negroes on the State and local school boards. When Negroes are represented on the school boards they feel confident that their interests will be considered in making decisions. To accomplish election of Negroes to school

boards, we can begin by setting up in each State a volunteer School Committee, representing white and Negro teachers, parents, and other concerned individuals. The Committee would have a small research staff to get all the facts it could about the State school system, showing inequalities and the cost of equalizing. This Committee would publicize its findings and inform the public how much equalization would cost. This might in four or five years lead to putting some of these people on the regular school board. There are many localities with small Negro populations where integration will probably come first. They won't want to spend thousands of dollars to set up good schools for a handful of Negro children. We must finger out these areas where integration can come the quickest. Lacking the funds to set up volunteer School Committees, we have asked each State Division to select one volunteer person to to report on the school situation in his State. SRC will pay his expenses. Several of these State volunteers were scheduled to report at the membership meeting on school matters in their respective States.

4. Commission on Equal Penalities. We have already matched the first thousand dollars and are within $180 of matching the second thousand dollars of the two contingent grants received for this project. (see p. 4)

SRC Staff. The staff is at a minimum, and we have no Negro staff members.

Ford Request. Mr. Haas asked if there were any strings attached to the $20,000 grant from the Ford Foundation. Didn't they say something about our having to get more support from within the South? Harold Fleming said that Chester Davis implied in a telephone call to the SRC office that our best chance of getting increased support from the Ford Foundation or the Fund for the Republic would be to get increased Southern support. Mr. Wright pointed out that the letter transmitting the $20,000

~~pointed out~~ said that the Ford Foundation had decided they could give us about half of what we ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ spent last year.

~~[illegible]~~ Mr. Wright asked Dr. Mitchell to enlarge upon the Commission on Equal Penalties for the benefit of Board members who were not familiar with the project.

Dr. Mitchell--There are two problems--(1) The flaring, dramatic cases where Negroes are given the death penalty on the basis of race. (2) The day-by-day imposing of either shockingly severe or scoffingly light penalties on Negroes, depending on whether their offenses ~~were~~ are committed against whites or against other Negroes. We want to set up a commission to study this in several Southern States and several Southern cities. After completing its study, the commission would issue a ~~[illegible]~~ report to the South, explaining the inequalities and making suggestions for remedying the situation.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Katherine Stoney distributed the attached financial report, showing the financial ~~[illegible]~~ condition of the Council for 1952 and the first four months of 1953. It was pointed out that during ~~[illegible]~~ the first four months of 1953 the Council was able to pay all debts for 1952 and all 1953 debts up to May 1, and have ~~$15,000~~ 13,532.00 in the general budget. We still have ~~[illegible]~~ not paid the loan to Dr. Mitchell of ~~$[illegible]~~ 1,500. It was decided not to use the Ford grant of $20,000 to pay off the loan, as the terms of the loan specified that it was to be used to support the work of the Council during 1953. Miss Stoney called the attention of Board members to various grants ~~[illegible]~~ received for special projects--the Fellowship of the Concerned, the Commission on Equal Penalties, and New South. (See p. 5)

FORD REQUEST

Mr. Williams asked whether there were any indications as to when the Fund for the Republic would be able to give an answer on the Council's request. Dr. Mitchell replied that Mr. Davis had indicated that an answer might be given in September or October. Mr. Williams--Is there anything we can do now? Dr. Mitchell--Keep up steady pressure on the people we have already contacted. Dr. Clement asked if it would be worthwhile to run over the list of Board members for the Fund for the Republic. Mrs. Adler produced a list, which Dr. Mitchell read. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that almost all the people on the Board had been contacted on the Council's behalf.

Mr. Haas--I think it is a reflection on the Council that we have so little Southern support. I think unusual effort should be made to increase Southern support this year. Mrs. Tilly pointed out that the Georgia Committee gets about $3,000 a year and asked if that money could be considered as part of the Council's Southern support. Dr. Mitchell agreed that it should, and pointed out that the money sent back to the State Divisions amounted to another $3,000-$5,000.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER (cont.)

1953 Budget

Katherine Stoney presented a budget for the rest of 1953, explaining that the item "special salaries" included salary for a sociologist employed just for the summer. Mention was made of the saving of $25 a month on rent by giving up one of the Council's rooms. Expenses for State school volunteers would include travel, stenographic services, and any incidental expenses. In reviewing probable sources of income for the remainder of the year, it seems that we will need three, four, or $5,000 more.

Ways of Increasing Membership & Finances

Mr. Haas--What will we do if we don't raise this money?

Dr. Clement--Shouldn't we first consider what we are going to do to raise it?

Mr. Davidson--It would be impressive to the Fund for the Republic if we had a larger membership. Maybe they would not be so concerned with matching dollar for dollar if we showed a large numerical interest throughout the South. Maybe we

could put on an advertising program to get more members. That could be done in a very modest way through the church organizations. We could put an ad in the church publications, including a membership blank.

Katherine Stoney gave the Council's membership as 1,810 in the South and 240 associate members.

Rabbi Mantinband—Membership growth, as such, is especially the work of the States. I don't know what the States can do if they can't do that. We had a membership meeting the other day in Mississippi. (He was distressed to learn that there were only about 100 SRC members in the whole State.)

Mr. Wright called for comment on Mr. Davidson's suggestion of advertising in the church magazines.

Dr. Mitchell—I like it. I think it's a pretty good idea.

Mr. Dabbs—I can't see many church people opening the magazines and sending in some money. If you put on a big advertising campaign, they might take part, but I don't think it will have much effect in the church magazines.

Miss Sytz—Wouldn't it be right to try to raise some money and use that money to give NEW SOUTH to some people.

Dr. Mitchell—I think the key to our membership problem is that we don't offer enough action programs to people out in the States. The only way I know to break that cycle is to get paid personnel in each of the States and let them build up the membership. The most successful device we had was when we had a membership secretary circularizing various lists of people. It takes a lot of time and costs more than it's worth, but it builds up the membership.

Dr. Hancock—As I remember, we've never gone in for recruiting a large membership. Is that right?

Dr. Johnson—We tried it. We circularized all kinds of lists.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that at one time the Council had about 4,000 members.

Mr. Fleming—We had the best results when people were traveling for us full-time. The membership soared percentage-wise. We never had much luck with second-hand selling of the SRC.

Dr. Washington—What efforts have been put forth to get foundations in the South to make contributions to the Council?

Mr. Haas—A large part of the time of Dr. Mitchell has been engaged in trying to raise funds for this organization. That ought not to be. He had to do that job in order to keep this organization going. We haven't even a finance committee. I think some correctory steps ought to be taken to set up a committee to take this job off of Dr. Mitchell's hands. He has a lot more important things to do than raise money.

Mrs. Spearman—Isn't there something in the whole structure of the SRC as compared with the Interracial Committee that has some bearing on the matter of members? I remember at the time the SRC was founded, some people thought it would be easier to get members to pay dues to a State organization rather than to a regional organization. I think the stand that the Council has taken on segregation, plus the fact that it operates centrally, rather than locally, is part of our difficulty in getting members. Also, I feel that in our mass organizations in all of our States Negro citizens and white citizens are struggling for programs—material, discussion, outlines, speakers, ways by which they can get actual facts. These mass organizations are also groping for some leadership techniques and techniques for social action. I wish that instead of the Council's working directly on this matter of school segregation that we could meet some of these organizations right in their own field. These organizations are lacking the material and experience in the field of social action. This would be too big a job to be handled by such a small staff. I wonder if by planning and pooling our efforts we couldn't do something to meet these mass organizations?

Dr. Patterson--People give to causes for two reasons: (1) because they believe in the cause, (2) because they believe in the person who asks them. I doubt that there are any of us who couldn't bring in from three to five members. I wonder if this committee that has been suggested can't be handed the job of working on membership too?

Mr. Parrish-- Those of us who do make larger contributions might give membership to some new members, so that the money we spend might be reaching out to people.

Dr. Mitchell spoke on the points raised by Mrs. Spearman, pointing out that the Council had served a useful purpose as a central organization, but that now the time had come to decentralize.

Mrs. Spearman--We found it so much easier to get members for the South Carolina Interracial Committee than for the regional organization.

Mrs. White pointed out that during the two months she sent out dues notices to Florida members, not knowing that the Atlanta office would do that, four or five times more members sent in dues than in any month since.

Mr. Wright--We have, more or less unconsciously, transferred to Dr. Mitchell's shoulders heavier and heavier responsibilities about raising funds. We are due it, not only to him, but to the organization to relieve him of as much of that as possible. We should set up a finance committee to act as a buffer and consultant to Dr. Mitchell.

On motion by Mr. Williams, it was voted that the president be authorized to appoint a finance committee of five or more members, at his discretion. Rabbi Mantinband suggested that one person be included from each State.

Dr. Clement suggested that at the membership meeting the following day the Board request that each member be responsible for at least three, and hopefully five, new members. On motion, it was voted to include this recommendation in the report of the Board of Directors to the membership.

Mr. Haas--I haven't got much hope that we will get much money from the Ford Foundation if we have to tell them that we have less than 2,000 members.

Mrs. Adler--Elmo Roper told me that the feeling of the Fund for the Republic members is that the membership in the South means something very significant. We shouldn't underestimate the importance of that. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that the Georgia Interracial Committee had about 1,600 members and the Texas Committee has about 200 members and the Virginia Council of Churches, whose Department of Christian Social Relations cooperates with the Council, has several thousand members.

Mr. Williams--Isn't there some way we could include these figures in our statement of membership, with some explanation?

Dr. Hancock--Couldn't we try to bring in the membership as soon as possible to make a good showing before the Ford Foundation?

Dr. Patterson--I should like to suggest that the finance committee take the responsiblity for implementing this--to see that this suggestion is carried through.

Dr. Clement's motion that the Board request all members at the membership meeting to secure from three to five new members was amended to suggest that these members be secured within sixty days, and that the finance committee be charged with the responsibility for seeing that members carry through on this. The motion was carried.

There followed some further discussion of Dr. Parrish's suggestion that people who make donations to the Council make them in the form of additional memberships for their friends. Dr. Mitchell approved of this plan, but admitted that very few of these people with complimentary memberships remained as members of the Council.

Dr. Dent--I think the Ford people are being very realistic, and I think anybody else of whom we ask money will want to know about our membership. I think the amount of money we can get will hinge on the financial support we can get from the South. Perhaps not large support, but broad support. Dr. Dent told about success he and two other members of the New Orleans Interracial Committee had raising $1,500. "I think they gave it because they knew it was going to be used locally."

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He suggested that such money, raised locally by State Divisions and interracial committees, could be used to help support the Council. "Our experience has been in Florida and in New Orleans that when we do the billing for members we get more than when it comes from Atlanta. We can work as a unit, but break down our activities to work on the local and State level."

Mr. Duncan--I find the name the organization has suggests too little. It doesn't tell people what kind of an organization it is. We need something to tell people what we are.

Dr. Mitchell --This is a flexible organization. It is all right if a State organization wants to take on some other name. On the matter of the dues, the only reason we have been billing our members out in the States is because we're the only office that has paid personnel. If any of the State organizations will do this, that will be fine.

Miss Sytz--I think we want to be sure that we build up a strong organization, without breaking down into chaotic State groups. We should have a unified program.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that if the membership meeting adopted the new by-laws the following day, the various suggestions about decentralizing would be taken care of.

ATTACK ON SRC BY METHODIST EDITOR

Mr. Fleming distributed copies of the April, 1953, issue of the publication One Methodist Voice containing a libelous attack against Dr. Mitchell & several Board members. At Mr. Wrights request, Mr. Fleming conducted the discussion on the attack. He summarized the content of the publication, calling attention to attacks on various Board members. "The attack consists largely in adducing that members of the Southern Regional Council are or have been affiliated with organizations that are or have been alleged by various sources to have been in some way tainted by Communist influences." Mr. Fleming added that he had not done as much analysis of the publication as he wanted to do--pinning down statistically the distortions in it. "The author assumes that most of the SRC members belonged to the

Southern Conference for Human Welfare. The material consists of untruth or half truth. This publication is put out by a Methodist pastor who presently has a church in Clayton, Georgia, Blake Craft. His personal history has some rather sordid features. He has been a source of conflict and disagreement within his denomination for some time. He is far to the right of the established leadership in the church. He has been active for some time in an organization to counter the Methodist Federation for Social Action--The Circuit Riders. The Board of Trustees of Wesley Memorial Church refused to give the Circuit Riders office space in the building. Craft is using the attack on SRC to attack the trustees for refusing him office space. At the moment it is a denominational question. Dr. Mitchell and Mr. Wright have consulted both Bishop Moore and Rev. E. G. Mackay, chairman of the Board of Trustees and an SRC member, and they are considering what action should be taken by the trustees and/or the Church. We hope that there will be an official pronouncement, either by the bishop himself or by the Board of Trustees, in which the Council will be defended against these charges. We have felt that if the church takes official and unequivocal action, at least the first step will have been taken to defend the good name of the SRC.

"In addition to that, Dr. Mitchell and Mr. Haas paid a visit to the Atlanta postal inspector. There is a law that makes it a libel to send through the mails a piece of mail on the wrapper or cover of which is written libelous material. The postal inspector was interested and apparently sympathetic. He said he did not have jurisdiction, but that he would send a letter to Washington to his superior, who would make an investigation and take whatever action he thought appropriate. If the Washington official does take action resulting in a suit, it would be a federal matter and would be tried in federal court.

"There is another possibility--the possibility of a criminal libel suit."

Mr. Haas--That's a matter for the individual. He could either file a civil suit for damages or could be the prosecutor in a criminal case. I don't think anything would be gained but the establishment of a principal. Probably they would not be able to get any money out of it.

Mr. Fleming pointed out that there were very few paid subscribers to the magazine, and that the circulation was limited pretty well to North Georgia.

Mrs. Tilly gave some background facts about Craft and his publication.

Mr. Fleming--The reason for the importance being given this publication at this meeting is because of the possibility that this will spread and we will see it again in other forms and other places. The general press is not likely to pick this up, because the man's general reputation is too poor. However, there is another newspaper here in Georgia, The Statesman, the Talmadge personal political organ. Since it is the publication of the governor of the State, it carries a good bit of weight. The Statesman may pick up Craft's story. If the story does get more publicity, we will have to take some steps to counteract it. But first there must be a detailed analysis of it.

Mr. Wright warned against distributing copies of the libelous publication to anybody else, as it would increase the publicity. "At first we considered going into print to defend ourselves, but decided against that, in view of the limited circulation of the publication. We would merely add prestige to the author if we went into print. If any individual who has been libeled feels that this is not the course to take, he is free to act otherwise. We have approached the postal inspector and the Methodist officials to get them to take official action. If there is any member of the Board who feels that our action should be more inclusive or along another line, he should say so.

Mr. Davidson--I move that word of this matter be kept within the confines of this Board.

Miss Sytz--I would like permission of this group to use this particular pamphlet

in a very restricted sense. I think my university should be aware of this kind of libel on me. My dean should be aware of it.

Dr. Washington--I think it's unfortunate that the motion implies that nothing is to be done. This is what concerns me. There are a lot of factual inaccuracies. If you're going to present an answer, the best thing to do is to point out the many inaccuracies. I hope this motion will not imply that Mr. Fleming is not going ahead to prepare a statement to the Methodist authorities that control Wesley Memorial Church.

Mr. Davidson--My suggestion was only that as far as the SRC was concerned, no further dissemination of this publication be given.

Mr. Wright--Should your motion provide that officially the Board give it no publicity and that individual members of the Board give it no publicity [except as they feel necessary to protect their reputations?]

Dr. Patterson--I think that in the event that the Council does prepare a statement, the persons whose names were mentioned in the publication should give any information they want to be included in the statement. Mr. Fleming agreed that any such statement would be prepared with the advice of the persons libeled. (See p. 15)

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m. for lunch.

The meeting reconvened at 1:45.

BUDGET for 1953

Mr. Davidson--What do you all think about budgeting an amount sufficient to cover the expenses for a month of a volunteer worker in each State Division to devote himself entirely to getting more members--in the name of the regional organization and the State Division.

Mr. Long--Couldn't the volunteer person we already have in each State try to solicit members too?

Mr. Wright--Would the kind of person who could do research on the schools necessarily be the kind of person who would be good at soliciting members?

Dr. Mitchell--No. We could authorize each State to spend $100 on this membership drive in each State. The can get a special person to do this if they want to.

Mr. Davidson--You can then say to the Fund for the Republic, "You see, we spent this small amount of money and got these good results. Now what could we do if we had a full-time paid staff?"

Dr. Patterson--I think the emphasis should be on building up volunteer staff instead of building up membership.

Mr. Davidson--Mrs. White would be a good person to do this. She naturally goes to see a lot of people in her visits to Daytona and other Florida cities. Maybe she could get from each of the persons she normally sees in these visits a dozen names as prospective members. The basic idea is to make our membership show for this year--now.

Mr. Davidson made a motion that the budget for 1953 include an item of $1,000 to be spent at the discretion of the executive director in providing expenses of individuals circulating in various States to secure memberships.

Dr. Patterson--If this is going to be the responsibility of the finance committee, shouldn't it be routed through that?

Mrs. Adler--I think we want to do something more than make a showing. I think the people concerned with the Fund for the Republic are much more concerned that we broaden our membership on a permanent basis than that we make a showing. I think we have a responsibility to go back to our own groups and see that these groups do something.

Mr. Davidson--Those two things are not mutually exclusive.

Mr. Davidson's motion was passed.

ATTACK ON SRC BY METHODIST EDITOR (continued)

Mr. Fleming--It is suggested that in the Board's report to the membership tomorrow a general statement of the attack and our reaction to it might be included,

Mr. Fleming submitted the following rough draft of such a statement:

Your Board must report that in the past week the Council has been the object of a scurrilous published attack. The attempt was made--by falsehoods, half truths, and innuendo--to picture our organization as Communist-tainted. This charge is, of course, utterly false, and your Board has agreed upon courses of action designed to repudiate it. Since the publication in question is grossly defamatory and emanates from an obscure and irresponsible source, we feel that it should not at this time have wider circulation or discussion.

Mr. Duncan--Don't you think the name of the publication should be stated?

Both Rabbi Mantinband and Mr. Haas expressed the opinion that the statement read by Mr. Fleming contained sufficient information to inform the membership.

Miss Sytz suggested that it might be better to let people know more about the attack. "We might be crucified for trying to suppress this attack against us."

Mr. Fleming--Should we make it clear that any individual member who is troubled about this is free to come to us and ask about it? What we're trying to avoid here is public display and circulation.

Mr. Williams agreed with Mr. Fleming's suggestion.

Miss Sytz suggested that something should be said about specific action already taken, such as going to the postal authorities.

Mr. Wright--We should say not only that action has been taken, but that future action will be taken if deemed necessary.

Mrs. Davidson asked about the possibility of reporters from One Methodist Voice or The Statesman being present at the meeting.

Mr. Fleming--I think it appropriate to bring up the whole question of press on the meeting. The present policy is that the press will not be invited. We would issue a statement after the meeting. It is my impression that we can't deny them the right to come in. However, there is no reason to believe that the press will come.

Dr. Hancock--We don't want to publicize the matter too much. I think the less we say the better. If you say too much, people will want to know all about it.

Mr. Haas--If members of the press should be present and they inquire about it, we should refer them to Harold Fleming.

On motion, it was voted to include the statement originally ready by Mr. Fleming in the report of the Board to the membership meeting.

Dr. Dent suggested that members of the press not be invited to the membership meeting, but that any members of the press who came would be admitted.

Mr. Haas suggested that no copies of the publication be brought to the meeting the next day. He added that persons mailing or otherwise distributing copies of the pamphlet were guilty of spreading the libel. There was a suggestion that anybody not wishing his copy of the publication turn it over to Mr. Haas.

REVISION OF BY-LAWS

Dr. Mitchell--This matter will be brought before the membership meeting tomorrow. These by-laws were drafted in accordance with a resolution at the last membership meeting. They have been scrutinized carefully by members of the Executive Committee, and have been mailed out to all the Board members.

Dr. Mitchell gave a summary of changes proposed in the new by-laws. On motion, it was voted to urge the adoption of the by-laws at the membership meeting.

DATE OF NEXT ANNUAL MEETING

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that the powers granted the Executive Committee by the by-laws were exceeded in postponing the 1952 annual meetings until May 1953. He hoped that the membership meeting would sanction the postponement. He also raised the question of whether this meeting should serve as the 1953 annual meeting, thus removing the need for a meeting in November. On motion, it was voted to recommend to the membership that the postponement of the 1952 annual meeting be approved and that the present meeting serve as the 1953 annual meeting, the next meeting to occur in 1954.

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

Dr. Mitchell--I've described that to you this morning. Such people as have been chosen will report tomorrow. I think that is our key activity for 1953.

Mrs. Hogue asked whether it was more important to use the $1,000 voted for putting on membership drives in each of the States or to use it to pay people to work on school matters. "You don't provide anything but travel expenses for these people,

do you? Where are you going to get these people to do these jobs?"

OTHER BUSINESS

Dr. Hancock--It seems to be the viewpoint of the Board this morning that any futurefinances we get from the Ford Foundation will depend on the amount of Southern finances we can raise. I would like to see some definite plan worked out to do this.

Mr. Wright--The finance committee will do this.

Co-ordination of State Activities

Rabbi Mantinband--I wonder if there couldn't be some way to coordinate the work of one State in its SRC activities with that of another? It's a long time between annual meetings, and the people don't have a chance to get together. The school committee people ought to be able to compare notes. If we could learn what our neighbor States are doing, we could profit by their experiences. Might we not have, as a volunteer also, someone on top, from whatever State, in the matter of school volunteers, not with any authority, but simply someone who would be invited by the SRC who would act as a sort of guide and adviser?

Dr. Mitchell--I greatly doubt if there is anybody who can give the South any help on this. I don't think the sociologists can help much in instructing these people who will have to work in back counties. Find me somebody in an official position in the South who will agree to doing away with segregated schools, and we'll get him to advise us.

Mrs. Spearman--Won't we get the most help from the local committees themselves?

Dr. Mitchell--For the time being, the volunteer person will report to the State Divisions. We will be hoping for the time when the volunteer will report to the State School Committee.

Miss Sytz--I would think there would be a great value in holding regional meetings--maybe joint meetings between Louisiana and Mississippi Divisions.

Dr. Mitchell--I would like for that to happen if we can get the money.

Mr. Williams--Could we ask that when each State has a meeting they mimeograph enough of their minutes to send out to the other Divisions?

Dr. Mitchell--If they will send them to us, we will send them out.

Mrs. White told of plans for calling together key people in each county to discuss and report on the school situation and then of calling together representatives from each county to a Statewide meeting. "From that meeting between the key people we hope to get a volunteer worker." "We feel that discussion groups within the county would benefit in several ways--getting to know the county and pooling the thinking of more than one person."

Award to Dr. Mitchell by Catholic Committee of the South

Mr. Williams told of an award given Dr. Mitchell by the Catholic Committee of the South at its convention in Richmond the preceding month. The award was given to Dr. Mitchell as the person making the greatest contribution to the progress and welfare of the South. Mr. Williams pointed out that the CCS has been very careful about the caliber of the people to whom it has given the award. He mentioned several previous recipients of the award, including Dr. Guy Johnson and Dr. Howard W. Odum, both members of the Council's Board of Directors. Mr. Williams then read the inscription on the scroll presented to Dr. Mitchell by the CCS. On motion by Mr. Haas, it was voted that the Board expressed its pleasure and pride that the executive director had been so honored.

Dr. Mays pointed out that the fact that Dr. Mitchell had received the award would be very helpful in fighting the libelous attack. Dr. Clement suggested that the news release about the annual meeting include the fact that Dr. Mitchell had received the award, and also that a copy of the resolution be sent to the appropriate officers of the CCS.

Miss Sytz--Do you think we could link some mention of this award with the mention of the libelous attack when we read the report of the Board to the membership? It was agreed to do this.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that the scroll awarded him by the CCS would be hanging on the wall for members to read the next day.

At the request of Mr. Wright, Mr. Williams agreed to repeat at the membership meeting the tribute he made to Dr. Mitchell when the award was presented.

Dr. Mitchell read a telegram just received from Miss Josephine Wilkins, expressing her regret at not being present.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

May 14, 1953

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council was held at Dean Sage Hall, Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, at 3:30 p. m. Thursday, May 14, 1953,

The following members were present:

Marion A. Wright	Rabbi Charles Mantinband	Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
Paul D. Williams	Florence Sytz	John A. Griffin
Paul R. Christopher	Mrs. Milton P. Adler	John Long
Mrs. James S. Crate	Gordon B. Hancock	
J. M. Dabbs	Herbert M. Davidson	

The following staff members were present:

George S. Mitchell, Harold C. Fleming, Emily Calhoun

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Long read the following nominations submitted by the nominating committee:

President--Marion A. Wright

Vice-Presidents--Gordon B. Hancock, Alfred Mynders, A. W. Dent, Carter Wesley

Counsel--Leonard Haas

Executive Committee--Harry V. Richardson, Mrs. C. M. Birnie, John Griffin, Rev. Andrew Turnipseed, Paul R. Christopher, Rev. Maurice V. Shean, Rufus E. Clement

~~Dr. Mitchell pointed out that Dr. Charles Johnson of Fisk University had been replaced on the Executive Committee by Rev. Turnipseed of Alabama. This was done because Dr. Johnson's heavy responsibilities make it impossible for him to attend Executive Committee meetings. The Executive Committee was to elect its own chairman.~~

On motion, it was voted to accept the nominations submitted by the nominating committee.

PUBLICITY ON MEETING

Rabbi Mantinband asked if a statement was being prepared for the press as suggested by the Board the preceding day. Mr. Fleming said that he would prepare such a statement.

FUND-RAISING

Mr. Davidson--If we don't get the hoped-for grant ~~from the Ford Foundation~~, will there

be a meeting of the membership called and the members asked what action to take? Several persons agreed that this plan would be followed if the grant was not forthcoming.

There followed some discussion of what action should be taken if the Ford Foundation should grant an amount much smaller than the amount asked for. Dr. Mitchell explained that he did not see how less than three paid workers in each State would be effective. "We need to do everything double in this bi-racial society," One person would be needed to contact Negroes, another to contact whites, and one clerical worker.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that most well-to-do people in the South were not interested in donating money to causes such as the Council. "What we need is one large grant to get things going. Then in a few years the organization could become self-supporting in each State."

NOTIFYING MEMBERS OF ACTIVITIES AT ANNUAL MEETING

Dr. Sytz asked if the president's address would be sent out to all members, and the staff undertook would that it be printed in the next issue of New South.

Mrs. Spearman also suggested that mention of Dr. Mitchell's award from the Catholic Committee of the South be included in New South.

APPRECIATION TO THE STAFF AND THE PRESIDENT

Dr. Hancock expressed a debt of gratitude to the staff, for carrying on during financial crises over a period of years. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that the Council was the child of Dr. Hancock's thinking.

Mr. Williams expressed his appreciation of Mr. Wright's leadership as president of the Council.

REGIONAL MEETINGS

Miss Sytz spoke of the need for regional meetings of two or three neighboring State Divisions between the yearly membership meetings. "We get inspiration from

these meetings. In our own States we get overwhelmed with our own problems. We feel that we are too small to do anything."

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Dr. Mitchell pointed out that, in his thinking, the school problem was the most important thing to be worked on [redacted] during 1953.

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There being [redacted] no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Membership Meeting

May 14, 1953

A meeting of the membership of the Southern Regional Council was held at Dean Sage Hall, Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, at 10:05 a. m., Thursday, May 14, 1953. President Marion A. Wright presided. Dr. Gordon B. Hancock gave the invocation. Dean S. M. Nabrit gave the welcoming address to the members on behalf of Atlanta University.

The following members were present:

Marguerite Woodruff
Freeman Drake, Sr.
Rhoda Kaufman
Mrs. William H. Hogue
Mrs. James S. Crate
John Long
Ocie Lee Smith
S. M. Nabrit
M. A. Wright
Paul Williams
Forrester B. Washington
Gadsden Shand
George S. Mitchell
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Lucy R. Mason
A. T. Butler
Roscoe Giffen
Paul R. Christopher
Emily Calhoun
Katherine Stoney
J. M. Dabbs
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Mrs. William C. White
David Scull
Mary Jane Willett
Harold C. Fleming
Anna Holden
Gordon B. Hancock
Herbert M. Davidson
Mrs. Herbert M. Davidson
Howard G. McClain
Alice N. Spearman (Mrs.)
Rebecca Reid
W. Carroll Brooke
Mrs. Norma Huff
Mrs. Harold Fleming
A. W. Dent
C. H. Parrish
Mrs. M. J. Lyells
Anna Greene Smith
Mrs. Edward M. Vinson
W. H. Frey
~~Mrs. Richard Hocking~~
Mrs. A. A. Hardy
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Mrs. Milton P. Adler
O. D. Duncan
Mrs. George S. Mitchell
Morris R. Abram
M. Mae Neptune
Ruth Stone
Bishop James Clair Taylor
Anne L. Taylor
I. E. Saporta

The following visitors were present:

Paul M. Marshall
Mrs. Jessica Ada Marshall
Rev. G. W. McMurray
Rev. Arthanial E. Harris
Rev. Elias S. Hardege
Irene Osborne
Perry G. McClelland
George Deadwyler
Mrs. Richard Hocking
Dorothy Pitman

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Katherine Stoney gave a summary of the minutes of the last annual meeting held on December 13, 1951. On motion, it was voted to approve the minutes as read.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

Mr. Wright, as president of the Council, gave the attached address.

Dr. Hancock expressed gratitude on behalf of the membership for the presidential address. ~~Mr. Long suggested that the speech be published in NEW SOUTH and/or other publications where it will get wide coverage.~~

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Staff Activities Since Last Annual Meeting

We have survived, though it has been hard. While we have survived, we have been able to do some things. I am proud of the coverage of New South. It has steered the development of Southern opinion in many ways: (1) Blighted housing and bomb violence. (2) What the City of Miami has done to improve human relations. (3) Breakdown of segregation in Kentucky. (4) Statistics on Negro firemen. (5) Violence in South Africa. (6) Key statements of National Council of Churches on Segregation. (7) FEPC. This issue has had wide circulation all over the country. (8) Table of cities using Negro police. (9) Racial issues in elections in Georgia and New Orleans. (10) Reported on the Supreme Court and segregation. (11) Examined Governor Byrnes's statements on what he will do if the Supreme Court does away with segregation. (12) Reprinted the provision of the Arkansas constitution giving machinery for reapportioning representation in the State legislature. (13) Segregation in transportation--present extent and area of segregation on the railroads. This issue of New South is being mailed out to the principal officers of the railway companies and railway labor unions in the South. (14) Report on the Negro vote, showing that the Negro vote is lagging and giving some reasons why. (15) Pamphlet on "Race and Law Enforcement," telling how law enforcement officers ought to behave. Mrs. Tilly's church ladies have taken the pamphlet to sheriffs in about 150 counties and talked to the sheriffs about carrying out the recommendations of the pamphlet.

The Council continues to receive requests for information from students writing theses and themes on various subjects pertaining to race relations. Professional writers for national magazines also come to us for information about the South.

Expanded Program

We want about ~~$20,000~~ 300,000 a year for five years, so that we can put paid personnel in each of the States. This would include one white person, one Negro person, and one ~~person to do office work.~~ clerical worker. Our membership remains quite small. This is because we don't give people in local communities enough to do. Under the plan of reorganization, we could get more members. This would reduce the Southern Regional Council itself to a Board of Trustees and turn the regular memberships back to the State Divisions, in the belief ~~with the feeling~~ that the State organizations could operate more effectively on a Statewide basis than on a regional basis. The Council itself would serve as a coordinating body for the various State organizations. It would do research and would pay the two or three employees in each State.

Dr. Mitchell then mentioned several things that could be done in the States with paid workers:

1. Persuade newspapers all over the South to do better on writing up Negro news. ~~Newspapers~~ Most of the big city papers have improved greatly since Race in the News came out, but many of the smaller papers have not.
2. Home town self-surveys. It takes years to get one going. With paid State personnel we could get one or two towns in each State to do surveys each year.
3. Extending the franchise. Work on local boards or registrars to persuade them to remove the barriers to Negro voting.
4. Employment. We can work with the Urban League on this.
5. Introduce in Southern schools some kind of teaching of human relations. Teach white children the achievements of the Negro race, the capabilities of Negroes. Arrange meetings between white and Negro children.
6. Schools. ~~We'll talk about this later.~~ For discussion later this in meeting.

7. Commission on Equal Penalties. We have within $160 of getting $4,000 to get the project going.

Dr. Mitchell urged that it was time to "change the rules in the South" to provide equal citizenship and equality of opportunity for everybody. When we had a plantation economy and our power was men's muscles and mules' muscles, those who controlled the men and the mules said that men who did the physical work could never achieve democracy. The North and the West took another turn. They went in for industry and technology. That kind of society had in it the germ of democracy, equality, and opportunity for all. In Southern towns we have monuments for people who fought to defend the old order but none to people who taught us technological change. We have now come to a stage where the rules of ~~Northern and Western~~ a technological society ~~can~~ need to apply to us. We are rich enough to do this. Only inertia and habit hold us back. ~~The old order won't last much longer.~~

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF WOMEN'S WORK

Mrs. Tilly spoke of the advance in race relations which provided a favorable climate for the ~~election~~ nomination of Negroes in the recent city primary in Atlanta.

Mrs. Tilly then described various phases of her work:

1. Church women visiting the sheriffs about "Race and Law Enforcement." A map was displayed showing counties all over the South where church women have visited their sheriffs. ~~Also~~ A map showing the Georgia counties where sheriffs had been visited was given to all delegates at a recent conference of the North Georgia Woman's Society of Christian Service held in Atlanta.
2. Church Women sitting in courts to see what is going on. Among other things, they are becoming aware of the appalling number of offenses that result from liquor, and are taking a special interest in ~~juvenile~~ juvenile delinquents and other children from broken homes. As a result of their contact with these children, the women in many areas are demanding that the children be put in regional foster homes, serving several counties, rather than ~~in~~ in the county jail. Many of the women, as a result of their visits to the courts, are realizing that what goes on on the

"wrong" side of the tracks affects what goes on on the "right" side. This has led to an interest in housing, health, etc.

3. We also want to work on the right to vote. In a few days key women over the South will be called on to meet in Atlanta to discuss extending the franchise. There are many counties where there are few or no Negro votes.

4. School segregation. When the Supreme Court decision comes on the school situation, the white church women will be the shock absorbers. Mrs. Tilly and a group of church women attended the trial of the Clarendon County Case. All of these women expressed the conviction that our present set-up in the schools is all wrong. The leaders among the church women are ready to take a stand for what is right.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

Mr. Fleming told of the wide publicity received by various New South articles:

1. Statement on policy adopted at the last annual meeting. This was widely publicized in the press throughout the nation.

2. "Race and Law Enforcement," the biggest effort of 1952. A newspaper series was run by the Associated Press based on the pamphlet, giving detailed instruction to local police about how they should act.

3. "Blighted Housing and Bomb Violence." This was well publicized in the general press and in religious magazines.

4. We have been surprised at the wide distribution of the FEPC article all over the country.

5. "Race and Suffrage." We tried to reflect as well as we could the actual situation which now exists throughout the South. Legal barriers have about broken down in urban areas. Officialdom is still opposing the Negro vote in rural areas.

6.

Information Supplied

Mr. Fleming spoke of the assistance given by the Council's staff to various persons writing articles for national magazines as well as to reporters writing articles for the wire services. Through these newspaper and magazine articles we reach a much larger audience than we do through New South.

The variety of miscellaneous requests for information was mentioned, as well as the steady flow of foreign visitors, seeking information about the South, and particularly about race relations. The Council has also provided information to Americans addressing groups in other countries. In this way, we are able to contribute to international relations.

Dr. Clement, who had just arrived at the meeting, was called upon to say a few words. He commented briefly on his recent victory at the polls and expressed his pleasure at having the SRC annual meeting at Atlanta University on such a happy occasion.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Katherine Stoney distributed the attached financial report, showing the Council's financial condition during 1952 and the first four months of 1953. She pointed out that the Council began 1951 with a deficit of $9,940 and reduced the debt during the year by about $3,000 and paid about $2,000 on the debt to Mr. Byrd. We began 1952 with a balance of $240 and debts amounting to $7,000. In 1952 the total income was $34,000. Sources of this income were given, including church groups and labor groups, foundations, individuals, sale of literature, honoraria for Dr. Mitchell's speeches. During 1952 the debt was again reduced by about $3,000. In that year the note to Mr. Byrd was paid in full. During the first four months of 1953 we had an income of $28,400, including $20,000 from the Ford Foundation as an interim grant, and $700 raised by the Executive Committee. The rest of the income came from church organizations, foundations, labor organizations, dues, sale of literature, and honoraria. We have been able to pay all of our 1952 debts and pay all 1953 debts for the first four months. During 1952 the Executive Committee authorized

raises in staff salaries. We still have an outstanding debt of $1,500 to Dr. Mitchell.

Special projects: (1) Fellowship of the Concerned received a check for $1,500, making a total of $1,800 for that project. (2) The Field Foundation recently gave us a grant of $2,500, paying for New South from May, 1953, through May, 1954. (3) The Commission on Equal Penalties has over $2,200 in the bank accruing interest.

We have had no membership secretary since summer of 1952. Miss Stoney ~~added that she~~ had been ~~supervising~~ serving ~~as a membership secretary,~~ in that capacity in addition to her other duties.

After explaining that members who do not pay dues for two years are dropped from the rolls, ~~Miss Katherine~~ Miss Stoney reported that current membership stood at 1,810 in the South and 240 from States outside the South. Georgia has the most members. Louisiana and South Carolina fall close behind. Most of the Louisiana members are in the New Orleans Committee on Race Relations.

In commenting on the sale of literature, ~~Katherine Stoney mentioned~~ the unprecedented demand for the FEPC issue of New South was mentioned & also the fact ~~and added~~ that most of the larger colleges and universities in the South subscribe to New South.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Mr. Fleming presented the attached report from the Board of Directors. On motion, it was voted to accept this report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HONORED BY CATHOLIC COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTH

Mr. Wright called upon Mr. Williams, former president of the Council, to say a few words. Mr. Williams told of an award conferred upon Dr. Mitchell April 24 by the Catholic Committee of the South, as the person who had most at its convention in Richmond ~~for in recognition of his~~ "contribution to the ~~growth~~ welfare and progress of the South." Mr. Williams then gave the attached talk, made originally as a tribute to Dr. Mitchell at the time the award was presented. Mr. Wright placed the scroll presented Dr. Mitchell in front of the speaker's platform for members to ~~read~~ look at after the meeting.

COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES

Dr. Mitchell announced that one person had just donated $100 and another person $60 to complete the $4,000 needed to start the Commission on Equal Penalties.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 for luncheon.

The meeting reconvened at 1:45.

THE SCHOOLS AND SEGREGATION

What Needs to be Done

Dr. Mitchell spoke of the need for more Negroes to serve on State and local school boards in the South. This is particularly necessary in the face of the impending Supreme Court decision. All-white school boards cannot fairly represent the Negro population. SRC wants to set up in each State a School Committee, composed of white and Negro teachers, parents, and other concerned individuals to study the school situation and make pronouncements concerning it. These pronouncements would be backed up by the findings of a research staff. The Committee would make public statements about the inequalities between white and Negro schools, the cost of equalization, etc. In four or five years, some of the people on the volunteer committee would probably by put on local or State school boards.

Lacking the funds to set up such Committees in each State, the Council is seeking one volunteer person in each State to keep up with what is going on in his State in regard to schools. The Council will pay his expenses but no salary. We got the idea from a project the American FriendsService Committee is working on in Washington.

Report By American FSC Worker

Irene Osborne, who was one of the two paid staff members working on the Service Committee project, spoke for several minutes on how the project operated.

At first they couldn't talk about doing away with segregation. The school system was rigidly segregated. There are more Negro children than white children in the public schools in Washington and a few more white teachers than Negro teachers. The Service Committee found many people in Washington who wanted to do away with segregation. There was apathy, lack of organization, lack of knowledge about the facts, confusion about the law.

Last year the white members of the school board were all apposed to the idea of integration. The Service Committee called together representatives from various organizations, to meet on an informal basis and talk over the situation. They built up a mailing list of people who would be interested in working on the problem in some way. Some groups were only study groups; others took direct action, such as filing suits. These groups, meeting together informally, were known as the Joint Committee on Education. No material was sent out under the name of the Joint Committee, but minutes of each meeting were sent to each organization. Meetings were held about once every two weeks.

In order to reach a wider audience, the Service Committee started putting out a newsletter once a month to let people know about race relations in general in Washington.

There is a small library of material on schools at the AFSC office. Persons interested in the school situation have been urged to write letters to the appropriate officials, urging them to do this, or commending them for doing that. Speakers have been secured on the school situation for church groups and other organizations.

A lot of statistical information was compiled, showing the pupil-teacher ratios, class hours, number of teachers needed in the Negro schools, number of excess teachers in the white schools. It was pointed out that integration would solve all these problems.

Individual school board members were visited and were asked to give their opinions as to whether Negro and white schools were equal and how equality could be obtained. Not all of the board members consented to see the people. from the Joint Committee. The district court judged who appointed the board of education were also contacted and urged to appoint persons sympathetic to integration. Lists of names were submitted by the Joint Committee--named of people who would be appropriate to serve on the board, (Three new Board members were appointed every year.)

After the Supreme Court announced that it would consider the Washington school segregation case with several others from other parts of the country, the general climate in favor of integration became more favorable. The Committee was able to approach the board of education members with less difficulty. All citizens were urged to write to the supreintendent giving suggestions as to how the schools could be improved. the Joint Committee had a meeting urging ways of accomplishing integration. The supreintendent issued a report showing suggestions given him by individuals and groups. Everybody said that integration should be accomplished by a firm policy on non-segregation. Also, every child should go to the nearest school, regardless of race. There was less agreement on how to integrate the faculties, though there was agreement that the faculties should be integrated.

The Committee called together a group of some of the weightiest individuals in town, though some of those invited refused to come, to a public hearing before the Board of Education.

We are sure that the teachers will rise to the occasion (in integration). It is a few reactionaries at the top who are opposing it. It will be harder to integrate if the Supreme Court does not outlaw segregation.

The Service Committee sponsored two seminars on the teacher and integrated school problems. Both sessions were over-crowded. Human relations experts and people from integrated school systems were present.

This year the Joint Committee is putting it on the basis of, "We believe we can integrate our schools."

It is most important to keep in touch with people. Get two or three kinds of mailing lists. You must have all your information and material ready to get together when it is needed.

(l.c.) REPORTS FROM STATE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

Kentucky, Mr. Giffen, a sociologist from Berea College, reported on the school situation in Kentucky. In considering Kentucky's reaction to a Supreme Court decision outlawing segregation, he expressed the opinion that in those areas where Negro

children represent a quite small proportion of the population, integration could go forward without much conflict. In the urban areas, children would continue to go to schools that were pretty well segregated, because they would go to the school nearest them, and white and Negro housing is pretty well segregated.

Mr. Giffen mentioned that two years ago Kentucky had passed an amendment to its Day Law, making it possible for schools to do away with segregation if they desired. He mentioned several public and private colleges and universities recently open to Negroes. He expressed the opinion that integration at the college level (which has proceeded quite smoothly) is more difficult than integration at the grammar school level, because the older people are, the more firmly are segregation patterns impressed upon them. Mr. Giffen knew of no opinions in Kentucky comparable to those issued by the Governors of Georgia and South Carolina. He expressed the opinion that Kentucky officials are trying to solve the question of inequalities in the schools by not saying anything about them. He could find no statistics on the pupil expenditure for Negro and white children and other pertinent information.

Mr. Giffen concluded with a description of how integration was working successfully at the college level, particularly at Berea.

South Carolina.

Mr. McClain reported on the school equalization program in South Carolina. (1) Greatly increased school funds from the 3% sales tax. (2) Reorganization of the public school system by decrease of school districts. (3) Building more and better schools. There has been a minimum of objection to the equalization program. (1) There is some question as to whether all the money from the 3% sales tax is really going to the schools. (2) Some people feel that decrease of the number of school districts from 1,220 to 100 has been too quick and too drastic. Most people support the equalization program on the grounds that anything that will prevent the end of segregation is worth it.

The heart of South Carolina's problem is that we are having to do in a few years what we should have been doing in fifty years.

There has been very little consideration given to the basic matter of teacher improvement. Mr. McClain mentioned the inequalities in appropriations for the State supported Negro college as compared with the white colleges and universities.

Informed legal opinion is that if the Supreme Court outlaws segregation there will be no way to get around it, by turning over the schools to religious organizations, etc.

Surveys are being made of the schools in each county. Priority is being given to the Negro schools in constructing new buildings and providing school buses. There was no further discussion in the last General Assembly about what might be done in case the Supreme Court outlawed segregation.

Other States.

Dr. Mitchell gave a report on what was being done about school matters in some of the other States. In Virginia they will have a meeting May 27 and pick a school volunteer. In Tennessee, Mr. Alfred Mynders is investigating the situation. A portion of Mr. Mynders' letter was read reporting on his investigations in Tennessee.

Mississippi. Mrs. Lyells.

In March the Research Education Committee of the State Legislature published a report showing the inadequacies of the public school system generally and especially the inequalities for white and Negro pupils. The newspapers carried stories about the report, and everybody appeared to be very much surprised, though people had long been, or should have been aware of the situation.

Attitude to the pending Supreme Court decision--People are stunned. They are determined to maintain segregation at any cost. The governor met recently with a group of Negro teachers and said there was no plan under way to do away with public schools.

There was a vote taken at one of the private white colleges which was very favorable to integration. At the University of Mississippi some such sentiment has been expressed by some of the students.

There has been some improvement in Negro school buildings and in the salaries paid Negro teachers in the last few years, though Negro schools still do not compare with white schools in the same locality.

The governor promised to call a special session of the Legislature to consider equalization in education, but later decided to postpone it until after the Supreme Court's decision.

The Mississippi Teachers Association, which has always stood out against segregation, has now softened its public statements, for reasons of strategy. Others are opposed to gradualism and want to begin integration in September if the Supreme Court decision is against segregation.

(1.c.) SRC'S PART IN THE SCHOOL CONTROVERSY

Dr. Mitchell explained a plan to call together committees, on a State basis and locally, to prepare people to do what needs to be done when the Supreme Court decision comes. Mrs. White, of the Florida Division, proposes to work out an arrangement for meeting in each county to discuss the problems that are coming up in that county. It was pointed out that many Southern States were already admitting Negroes to their graduate schools.

~~BUSINESS MEETING~~

(cap.) Adoption of Amendment for Electing Board

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that a whole new set of by-laws was being proposed to the membership for adoption, to go into effect if and when a large grant to expand the Council's activities was forthcoming. The new by-laws would provide for the election of a new Board of Trustees to govern the Council, and an amendment was being offered at this time, providing for the election of an entire new Board of Directors that would carry over to

form the Board of Trustees when and if the Council was reorganized. On motion, the following amendment to the by-laws was adopted:

> Article IV, Section 1, of the present by-laws is suspended and a new Board of Directors shall be elected, in accordance with Article II, Section 1, Subsections A, B, and C of the draft by-laws, prepared in pursuance of the resolution directing such draft adopted at the membership meeting December 13, 1951. But the words in Subsection A, "The members of the corporation shall be as follows" shall not apply. In the election May 14, 1953, the Department of Christian Social Relations of the Virginia Council of Churches (unaffiliated) shall have participation as though it were an affiliated State organization.

Mr. Scull raised the question of whether granting the Department of Christian Social Relations of the Virginia Council of Churches ~~the right to represent SRC members was entirely fair~~ full participation as though it were a State Division was fair to SRC members in the State who were not members of the Council of Churches.

B.B. Dr. Mitchell explained that the old Interracial Committee did not become a part of the Southern Regional Council, but was dissolved, and now operates through the Virginia Council of Churches. He ~~administration~~ regretted that the present set-up excludes Jews, Catholics, and some of the Protestant groups, and expressed the hope that eventually an all-inclusive interracial organization would be formed in Virginia.

(cap.) Adoption of New By-Laws

Mr. Wright—~~W~~ As far back as 1951 we have looked forward to the time when we might be in ~~possession~~ possession of funds of some magnitude. We have felt all along that if we come into possession of a large amount of money, the organization should be tightened up in the interest of efficiency. The proposed new by-laws would accomplish this. It was pointed out that the by-laws had received careful consideration by various members of the Executive Committee.

Dr. Mitchell explained briefly what changes the new by-laws would effect. This has been a Southwide organization, with the State organizations getting half of the dues and the central organization getting half. This is a proposal that the Council become a federation of active State organizations—that the memberships be in the State organizations and not in the Council itself. The Council would become a self-perpetuating Board of Trustees, the core of which Board would be elected at this meeting. Other Board members would include the chairman of each State organization and one other person elected by the members of ~~the~~ each State organization. The SRC would belong to the Board of Trustees. If we received a

large sum of money, it would be parceled out to the various State organizations. The Council would continue a program of research and general coordination of the activities of the State organizations and would pay the full-time employees of each State organization. It was explained that a general plan for such by-laws had been approved at the last annual meeting, and the Executive Committee had been authorized to draft by-laws in accordance with the plan. Both the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee have been sent copies of the new by-laws, and some members of the Executive Committee have studied them very carefully. The Board at its meeting May 13 urged adoption of the new by-laws by the membership.

On motion, the following resolution was voted.

> Resolved, that the membership of the Council, in annual meeting assembled, adopt the proposed draft of by-laws as read today, with the proviso that the effective date of the same shall be within the discretion of the Executive Committee, and until such date, the existing by-laws, as today amended with respect to election of the Board of Directors, shall continue in full force and effect.

POSTPONEMENT OF ANNUAL MEETING

Dr. Mitchell asked the membership to pass a resolution covering the Board of Directors for its postponement of the 1952 annual meeting for a length of time exceeding the time for such postponement allotted in the by-laws. On motion, such a resolution was voted.

DRIVE FOR MONEY AND MEMBERS

An appeal was made to the State Divisions to raise more money. It was pointed out that that was done more effectively from within the States than from a single central organization.

Mr. Wright--The Board of Directors passed a resolution urging that each member of this group pledge itself to secure at least three new members and preferably five, in the next sixty days. That is the earnest recommendation of the Board of Directors.

Dr. Hancock reminded members of a suggestion made by Board Member C. H. Parrish that persons wishing to make contributions to the Council in addition to the $3.00 annual dues might make them in the form of complimentary memberships to their friends.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that, according to the resolution just passed, the entire old Board of Directors was retired and a new Board had to be elected. The list to be submitted contained 59 names, 20 Negroes and 39 whites. This exceeded the limit of 50 Board members, but it was suggested that all the names be accepted, since it was highly probable that some, at least, of the persons elected would be unable to serve.

After some discussion, it was agreed that the Executive Committee should establish the order of priority for inviting those elected to serve on the Board.

Mr. Shand, as chairman of the nominating committee, read the attached list of nominations, prepared by a committee consisting of Mrs. Hogue, Louis Regenstein, Ocie Lee Smith, Rev. E. G. Mackay, and Ernest Neal. On motion, it was voted to accept the nominations.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

On motion, it was voted to consider this meeting of May 14 as the annual meeting for 1953, the next meeting to be held in 1954.

VOTE OF THANKS TO ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

On motion by Dr. Hancock, a resolution was passed expressing gratitude to Atlanta University for the facilities it had provided for the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. at 3:20 p.m.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING, MAY 14, 1953

The Board is happy to be able to report that the financial condition of the Council is healthier today than at any time in the last few years. We believe this improvement will be reflected in the increased effectiveness of our action and information programs throughout the South. At the same time, however, we wish to urge upon the membership the need for greater and more widespread support of the Council within the Southern region. Our hope for favorable action on our major application to the Ford Foundation's Fund for the Republic is dependent to a large extent on securing substantially larger membership and increased contributions from Southern sources. Toward this end, your Board is establishing a strong Finance Committee and proposes an organized effort to secure additional members throughout the States. Both of these efforts, which will be discussed at greater length today, will require the utmost cooperation of the membership, and we sincerely urge you to assist in them.

We have given careful study and consideration to the proposed new by-laws which will come before you today with our endorsement. This change, as you will note, is contingent upon the Council's receiving the major grant requested for a five-year program, and if approved by you, will be put into effect by the Executive Committee at the appropriate time.

Your Board must report that in the past week the Council has been the object of a scurrilous published attack. The attempt was made—by falsehoods, half truths, and innuendo—to picture our organization as Communist-tainted. This charge is, of course, utterly false, and your Board has agreed upon courses of action designed to repudiate it. Since the publication in question is grossly defamatory and emanates from an obscure and irresponsible source, we feel that it should not at this time have wider circulation or discussion.

On behalf of the Council, the Board has officially recorded its pride and pleasure in the recent award presented to the Executive Director by the Catholic Committee of the South for significant contribution to the welfare and advancement of the South.

The Board has approved the budget which will be presented to you by the secretary-treasurer and the various projects and programs for which it provides.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion A. Wright
President

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Name	Address	
Perry S. McClelland	Mercer University	✓
George Deadwyler	Mercer University	✓
Robb C Mantiband	Hattiesburg Miss	✓
Lucy R Mason	Atlanta Ga.	✓
A.T. Buther	2411 Laurel ST. Colu SC.	
Bonnie Giffin	Berea College, Berea, Ky	✓
Paul Christopher	Knoxville, Tenn.	✓
Emily Calhoun		✓
K. Stoney		✓
Jane Osborne	Washington, D.C	✓
J. M. Bass	Magnolia Fla. S. C	✓
Mrs. M. E. Tilly	Atlanta	
Mrs. Wm. C. White	Eau Gallie, Fla.	
Rebecca Reid	Sumter S C	
Harriet Snell	Annandale, Va.	✓
Mary Jane Wilson	Atlanta Ga	✓
Mrs. Milton P. Adler	New Orleans,	✓
O D Sherman	Stillwater, Okla.	✓
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Dorothy Pitman	Mercer University	✓
Freeman Drake. Sr	Standing Rock. Ala.	✓
Rhoda Kaufman	678 Park Av. N. E	✓
Mrs. Wm ~~H. Hogue~~	5319 Cherokee ~~St.~~ Houston St. Texas	
Mrs. Jas S Crate	2410 Inwood Drive Houston	✓
John Long	S. C. I., Edwards, Miss.	✓
Ocie Lee Smith Sr	1500 Bishop St Little Rock, Ark	✓
S. M. Nabrit	Atlanta Univ	✓
M A Wright	N. C.	✓
Paul Williams		✓
Tassette B Washington	atlanta U	
Gadsden. Shaw	Columbia S. C.	✓
George Tucker		✓
Gordon B Hancock		✓
Helen Hosander	Dayton Beach, Fla.	✓
Howard G. McClain	Columbia, SC	✓
Alice G. Spearman	Columbia S C	✓
~~Rebecca Rey~~		
W Carroll Brooke,	Staunton, Va., Va. Conf of Churches.	

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Mrs. Norma Huff	235 The Prado, N.E.	✓
Mrs. Harold Fleming	——	✓
[illegible]	New Orleans, La	no
[illegible]	Louisville Ky	✓
Mrs. M. [illegible] Lyell	Mississippi	✓
Anna Green Smith	Ga (Agnes Scott)	no
Mr Edward M. Vinson	— Atlanta	no
Mr. W. H. Grey	- Atlanta, Ga.	
Mrs. Richard Hocking	no -	
Mrs. A. A. Hardy	- Thomaston, Ga	✓
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton	—	✓

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Minutes of Exec. Com. Mtg. - 9/25/53

The Exec. Com of SRC met Friday, Sept. 25, 1953 in the Council offices at 10:15 a.m. President, M. A. Wright presided. Father Shean gave the invocation.

The selection of the chairman of the committee was postponed until later in the meeting awaiting a full attendance.

Morris Abram, member of the Board of SRC, who had recently made a visit to New York reported on an interview with Mr. David Freeman of the Ford Foundation staff. Arrangements had been made for Mr. Abram to have a conference with Mr. Freeman on behalf of the Council.

Mr. Abram reported the following information as given to him.

That the Fund for the Republic was in the field of race relations only because in the over-all fight against communism, the ~~xxxx~~ race question was involved, otherwise they would not be dealing with it at all - rather with civil rights as such. Their first question was to determine what proportion of the 15 million dollars which the F. for R. had should be used for work in race relations - no discussion was given to this at the last meeting of the group in November. After decision as to amount, then decision must be made as to what instruments would be used - no discussion as to that in November. The Board of the Fund has members who are on Board of other race relations organizations, hence they will be influenced by that in their ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ recommendations. One suggested project was to put all the amount allocated into a project in Philadelphia with the idea that this would be a pilot project and experience gained there exploited over the country.

Mr. Abram called attention to the Statement sent to the F. for R by Dr. Odum and expressed his opinion that this was the sort of thing SRC was proposing. (His general opinion was that Mr. Freeman did not know who Dr. Odum was.)

Mr. Freeman then asked as to the Council's financial position presently and was informed that it was desperate - that they were working in faith and the hope that the Fund would help them - that indeed they were keeping faith

with the Fund to stay alive until some decision could be made. Mr. Abram explained that it was not possible to raise sufficient money for the work within the South because the Council's approach is not to the liking of certain people but he thought that this was not fully understood by Mr. F. Mr. F. said that the Fund had a request from NAACP. He asked how the people of the South would react to large sums of money given by a northern group for race relations. Mr. Abram told him he thought that the reaction would have no objection if the money were given to a responsible organization working in a constructive manner but that if money were given in large amounts which would be used to maintain law suits, there would be considerable reaction.

Mr. Abram then offered what he considered his most telling argument. He traced the organization of the American Council on Race Relations headed by Dr. Will Alexander which set up in northern and western states local municipal and state human relations groups. These groups, begun and supported by the Council for some years, have now for the most part been taken over by government or private groups and are being carried on. If SRC could be operated on a firm financial basis for five years, such local groups could be set up all over the South, and run effectively, could probably after that time, stimulate the establishment of such agencies, thus the Council's work (carried on with Ford money) would be taken over by local groups and the Foundation could then withdraw its support while the work would go on.

Dr. Mitchell then gave some details of the founding of the American Council, saying that it was financed by Rosenwald money and limited its activities to the north and west. The follow up is that the agencies have formed NAIRO which brings groups together for consultation and action. Since no work of the American Council was done in the South, the South remains a vacuum except for one or two small efforts and the other parts of the Country are doing with public money what we would like to do here. Public money is neither possible nor wise at this time - any public effort would not be entirely honest. But if some outstanding service should be given by an organization which was not state supported and would

launch and set the grooves for an honest race relations program, at the end of five years it would most probably be picked up by the states with an honest attitude.

Mr. Abram said that he impressed on Freeman two things - that the plan had worked in the north and west, and that in five years the Fund could get out of the support and they would have started something positive.

In discussion of research, it was noted that the Council would not do extensive research itself but would use people and institutions friendly to the Council under direction of staff competent in the field.

Mr. Abram suggested that someone from the Fund come down to SRC and look us over and Mr. F. expressed the hope that he might do this.

Mr. Abram then gave the following time schedule on the grant -

1. If no word from them that the application has been turned down comes by Christmas, then we can assume that we will get something.
2. If the application is not turned down, then some word as to amount, and terms should be forthcoming by spring.

He suggested that all of the friends and members of SRC who had any lines to members of the Board of F for R renew their efforts on behalf of SRC and that the Council somehow find funds to keep going until spring.

Mention was made of the part that SRC members and staff are taking in the study being done by the Fund for the Advancement of Education on the Schools in the South and the value of this study in showing the need for continuing work in the South. Several evidences were given that this study had already been of value, one being the statement sent by Dr. Odum, the friendship for SRC of all (or most all) of the people who are working on the study and the results of the survey which show definite need for more study and action. It was agreed that this study had opened channels to the Board members and that they now saw the need for a new approach - whereas before they had been interested only in influencing the power structure. Mr. Abram gave to Mr. F. a copy of Questions and Answers assuring him that this was the sort of information needed. The general impression gained from this visit was that Mr. Freeman knew little of the Council's appeal except the amount

asked for, that he had not read the proposal nor looked at the exhibits but that this visit might lead to his doing so.

Mr. Fleming reporting on the request to Mr. John Wheeler to do an article for NEW SOUTH said that Mr. Wheeler had at first asked to have the deadline extended, which was done, and then had asked to be relieved of the assignment because of the press of business. No success was had from the request to Mr. Coker. Dr. Mitchell reported that Mr. Paty of TVA had agreed to ask an industrialist in Birmingham to do such an article but that the man was out of the country and that such request would be made on his return.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dr. Mitchell reported that, having accumulated $4,000. for the Commission on Equal Penalties, it was now time to decide on persons to serve on the Commission, and to work out the program with the Southern law schools. It was supposed that the Commission would, having been chosen, meet to work out and approve the program, the research would then go on for a matter of months and the Commission would then reconvene to examine the findings and write a report. He had written to a number of persons asking for information as to catagories of crimes to be examined and persons to serve on the Commission but had made no real progress. He asked Mrs. Birnie to work with him, taking responsibility for getting it set up. This would mean conferences with the executive director to determine membership and catagories of crime and the Council would do the paper work. Mrs. Birnie agreed to do whatever she could. Dr. Mitchell said that he had been in touch with Dean Hepburn of the Emory Law School and that help from them could be expected.

Mr. Wright suggested that the Southwest be included in this project, with both membership on the Commission and work in the research project being drawn from Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. It was agreed that this was to be done.

A report was then given on the study being conducted under the Fund for the Advancement of Education on the schools. Beginning with a visit of Negro College presidents in New York last spring where they were asked for advice as to what should be done, the Fund agreed to do a survey of the situation in white and

up saying that they would not be interested in the research as such but would rather want to parcel that out to institutions, that the Council would be concerned with the action - how to get such action in the field of educating people in Southern communities.

Dr. Mitchell then reviewed the Council's original appeal as it proposed strong state divisions with paid staff, and said that in this project on the schools the Council had done what it could - gotten in each state a volunteer who would be informed and get information on the condition with regard to schools in his state. Such information would then be sent to the Council office and to the various people over the state. He traced the progress of the idea of local discussion groups from the letter received from a YWCA director in Charleston who said she was beginning such discussion groups in her community and asked for material. Out of that beginning the idea grew and to answer the need for concise material, the pamphlet QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS - The Schools and the Courts had been prepared. Orders had already been received, the pamphlet had been sent with a letter pushing it, to teachers groups, ministers, labor groups, and many others. The Georgia Negro teachers' group had ordered 1,000 and other such orders in hundred and dozens were being received.

Suggestions were made as to how other groups - Catholic, Jewish, etc. might be interested. The pamphlet "Questions and Answers" is to be followed by another which is a checklist for local groups to use in getting information about Negro and white schools and designed to show the differences which exist. It is hoped that small groups of interested people all over the area will be looking at their own schools and at the problems and will be ready at the time of the decision to form a sane, informed nucleus to influence public opinion. A report was given on the seminar held this summer at Highlander to which about seven of the SRC school volunteers and others went. Irene Osborne of the AFSC was present and gave valuable suggestions for work in the several states. Dr. Mitchell gave the background of Highlander's taking up this project.

Some discussion was then given to the Council's having been so related with Highlander and possible harm that might come therefrom. Mr. Mynders said that

Negro schools in the South, except in the border states. Harry Ashemore, declining to accept the full responsibility for the project, was asked to serve as advisor. The project was then taken over by Phil Hammer with the help of people all over the area. Studies are being made of the situation in Cairo, Ill. of integration in colleges in the South, of Catholic schools and teams are working in each state to get the actual differences between white and Negro schools.

The group has not yet decided whether its findings will be published - they are afraid that if published, they report will be accused of trying to influence the court, on the other hand, it seems unfortunate not to use this opportunity to get out the facts. Notice was taken of the extensive part that Council members, Board members and staff had played in this study.

Dr. Mitchell commented also on the Fund for Adult Education giving some of the views of their head man, Blakely who said that in the past few years the movement for adult education had stood at nil while the movement for child education had advanced rapidly, that democracy cannot rest on the assumption that people end their education at high school, and that their program was to train adult education leaders. Mrs. Haas is on the Board to select candidates for scholarships.

Mr. Griffin said that for a summary on the project of the Fund for the Advancement of Education there would be a clear cut implication that somebody should pick up on the problem. The plan of this project as of now is to deposit the data being developed in some location where it will be readily available, to note that certain aspect need to be kept up to date and to select one institution to do that, to provide for continuing institutional research in this field, and to recommend the need for some action agency to translate these findings into a community oriented program. He said that the Fund for Ad. Ed. sees this need, the question is to the scope of their influence with the other Ford Foundation Funds. This is the first time that the Foundation has worked in the South and having made this study, the opinion was that they had almost committed themselves to give some further attention to work here.

Dr. Mitchell then commented on the interest of the Council in this follow

B. Carroll Reece of Tennessee was proposing to Congress another investigating committee to look into Foundations and that the Ford Foundation, target of this investigation might not want, even remotely, to be linked with Highlander. However, he felt that whatever danger there might have been earlier in the year, that was now passed. Dr. Mitchell then brought to the committee the matter of his position on the Board of Highlander, saying that he and Paul Christopher had been on the committee, along with Aubrey Williams, to certify any employees at the school. He and Mr. Christopher had been responsible for helping to keep the school free of left-wing people and he felt that this was a valuable labor connection. Some discussion followed and it was agreed, with no motion and none asked for, that Dr. Mitchell would retain his membership on the Board but that in the future care be taken that the Council not be linked with the school in publicity. It was also noted that when Dr. Mitchell was asked to sit on this board originally, agreement was given by the then members of the Executive Committee with one disagreeing. The Committee also agreed that Dr. Mitchell might be given their confidence in future affairs of this sort.

Here was interjected the belief that Paul Hoffman was the important person concerned in the Fund for Republic - that no step would be taken without his advice.

It was also noted that in recent testimony given by one Paul Crouch before the UnAmerican Activities Committee, that at one time the Communist Party published a bulletin called "NEW SOUTH". Dr. Mitchell said that he had written to Senator Jenner asking for such part of the testimony as might be available to the public in order that we might establish the dates of this publication and prove we were not in any way connected. It was noted that the Council's magazine NEW SOUTH was established in 1946, the name having been chosen by the Executive Committee, and that this was long after Crouch had left this part of the country as verified by his testimony.

Dr. Mitchell said that he had not yet, but would, reply to the letter of the Solicitor asking whether we wanted to pursue further the matter of Black Craft. It was agreed that no further action was to be taken.

The Secretary-Treasurer gave her report, (see attached) which gave a balance on hand of approximately 1,600. She cited the donors of the past three months, said that revenue from memberships had been very low and that from honoraria higher than usual. These honoraria had come from Labor Groups, among others; an AFL School in Kentucky, a CIO School in Talladega

The Committee then turned to the choice of a chairman for the coming year. With the opinion that someone near at hand should serve, the committee chose by assent Dr. Clement.

Harold Fleming, Director of Information, gave a resume of the Council's publicity during recent months. He noted special interest in schools in the recent issues of NEW SOUTH, said that many editors had quoted from Dr. Johnson's speech, printed in May, New South, that many requests had come for copies of the "Court Takes More Time" issue, that he was impressed generally with the moderate and constructive tone of the editorial comment on the whole school question. He said that the recent "Questions and Answers" had received good publicity, calling attention to the AP story, the 4 column spread in the Christian Science Monitor and the use made of the material by the Macon Telegraph, and the Chattanooga Time. Harold Fleming was also on a TV program in Atlanta dealing with the question of the schools.

Mr. Tilly, reporting for the Fellowship of the Concerned told of the retreat sponsored by the Ga. Council of Church Women at which the school cases were discussed. She also told of plans for a meeting of leading women to be held in Atlanta on October 20th at which time she hoped to launch a program of local discussion groups all over the South but with especial emphasis on Ala., Ga., Fla., Miss, & S. C. She reported that the Fellowship of the Concerned was continuing with their program of visiting the Courts, in some cases tying this in with their discussion of the problem of alcohol. She told several interesting stories of visits made by groups and their results.

The group was then presented with a list of the new Board members as nominated and elected at the Annual meeting. Of the 60 people chosen, 46 have now accepted

and only 4 are needed to complete the proposed Board of 50, ~~[illegible]~~ Acceptances were expected from four other members within a few days.

This having finished most of the agenda, the committee adjourned for lunch with the provision that if during lunch new business might be found we would reconvene to ~~[illegible]~~ consider it, otherwise the meeting stood adjourned. There was no session after ~~[illegible]~~ lunch.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Membership Meeting

December 13, 1951

The annual membership meeting of the Southern Regional Council was held in the Exhibition Room of the Atlanta University Library, Atlanta, Georgia, at 10:00 a. m., Thursday, December 13, 1951. President Paul Williams presided. Rabbi Mantinband gave the invocation. Dr. Clement extended welcome to the group on behalf of Atlanta University.

The following members were present:

Leonard Haas
Charles C. Walker
Artemisia Bowden
Alice Mitchell
Ellen B. Armstrong
John Long
Herbert M. Davidson
Mrs. Herbert M. Davidson
Lucy R. Mason
M. A. Wright
Charles Mantinband
F. D. Patterson
A. D. Beittel
John H. Morrow
Philip S. Ogilvie
C. Emerson Smith
J. M. Dabbs
Ray Warwick
Anna Warwick
Annie Tait Jenkins
Paul R. Christopher
C. H. Parrish
Lewis W. Jones
Anna Greene Smith
Rufus E. Clement
Guy B. Johnson
A. W. Mitchell
Mrs. A. W. Mitchell
Arthur J. Levin
L. J. Twomey, S. J.
Mrs. J. C. Harris
Benjamin E. Mays
James W. May
Rhoda Kaufman
Mrs. Herman Heyman
Gordon B. Hancock
Emory F. Via
Dorothy L. Crim
Grace T. Hamilton
Norma Huff
Jane Fleming
Paul D. Williams
A. T. Butler
Alice N. Spearman
Harold L. Trigg
Forrester B. Washington
R. D. Wellons
Mrs. R. D. Wellons
Mrs. E. U. Robinson
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
A. W. Dent
George S. Mitchell
Harold C. Fleming
Katherine Stoney
Anna Holden
Emily Calhoun
Adella Shields

On motion, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

The secretary-treasurer, Katherine Stoney, gave the attached report.

She pointed out that the Council had ended the year 1951 in better financial condition than the previous year.

On membership, a total of 1,836 paid-up, full members was reported, in addition to which the Council had 202 associate members and several hundred NEW SOUTH subscribers. Membership figures were down, as many who had not paid dues since 1949 had been dropped during 1951.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Year's Projects

The executive director, George Mitchell, described first the main topics discussed in NEW SOUTH during the year.

1. Enlarging democratic processes in government in the South. This included enlarging the electorate and getting more Negroes elected and appointed to public offices.

2. Safety of the person. Dr. Mitchell pointed out the decline of lynching and its transposition into police violence against arrested persons.

3. Negro police. Their number is increasing, and there is a good deal of evidence that they are systematically arresting white lawbreakers.

4. Fellowship of the Concerned. Mrs. Tilly had undertaken this year, instead of convening a Southwide meeting in Atlanta, to travel from State to State and reach as many of our local leaders as possible.

5. Getting people to understand the legal aspects of segregation, by various articles printed in NEW SOUTH.

6. Housing, from the 1950 census. In the last ten years the poorer parts of the white South have been rehoused, but the Negroes haven't. If the Korean War had not come along, we would be well along toward solving this problem.

7. What is actually happening on the land in the South? We don't know much about this, but an article printed in NEW SOUTH throws some light on the subject.

Self-Surveys

On the home town self-surveys, the manual issued in April had been very well received, but the staff continued to regret the slow pace at which cities and towns were taking up the idea of the survey. But when a town does do it, it is transformed. The completed survey at Dallas and the survey now under way at Shreveport were described.

State Divisions

On the work of the State Divisions and affiliated interracial organizations, it was pointed out that of the old State Interracial Committees, all

but three (Georgia, Virginia, and Texas) had now become State Divisions of the Council. Virginia and Georgia are the only ones of the State Divisions or State interracial organizations having paid executive personnel. It was suggested that the next broad advance in the interracial movement in the South is to provide paid personnel for each of the State organizations.

Projects for Next Year

As proposals for projects for the coming year, the following were described:

1. A pamphlet on farm land tenure reform. For some time this has been in preparation, under a grant as yet only partially paid by the National Sharecroppers Fund.

2. A manual on how police ought to behave in the South. Addressed to citizens, it urges them to concern themselves with police administration in their communities, to appraise it and improve it. The pamphlet should be out early next year. We will want members of the Council and of the Fellowship of the Concerned to take the pamphlet, in local committees, to the chiefs of police in their communities and try to get some action.

3. Need in the South for accurate figures on schools--differential in Negro and white schools. If the money were available, we could do this.

4. Commission on Equal Penalties. Last summer we received a memorandum giving reactions in the European press to the Willie McGee execution. Friends in New York had written asking Dr. Mitchell what SRC was going to do about such things. This was the beginning of the idea of a Commission on Equal Penalties.

   There are two related problems: (1) the penalty in rape cases--flaring and dramatic, very unequal by race; (2) the accepted, age-old practice in the South of awarding differential penalties by race for lesser crimes. This perpetuates a stereotype of the Negro buffoon.

   Dr. Mitchell expressed the opinion that the South could, in four or five years' time, be persuaded to start awarding equal justice in the courts. We would start it by convening twelve or eighteen very distinguished persons and giving them money to do a research job, showing in one category unequal penalties by race for rape in the last fifty years, and in the other category unequal penalties by race for lesser offenses. Investigations would be made in several cities, smaller towns, and States over the South. It is hoped that some of the Southern law schools would be willing to make such studies and publish the findings in law reviews. The Commission, after studying the findings, would issue a report to the Southern people, including recommendations for imposing equal penalties. Council members and Fellowship of the Concerned members would show the report to their local judges, chiefs of police, and sheriffs.

It would take between $7,000 and $10,000 to set up such a Commission. We have $2,000 promised, on the condition that it be matched in the South. Dr. Mitchell expressed the hope that some Negro person in the South would contribute a thousand dollars. He added that it was hoped to get the project started in January, and that he would make a trip early in the year to talk with various people over the South about whom should be on the Commission. He emphasized that the Commission would be independent. After setting it up, the Council would leave it alone.

5. Strengthening State Divisions. In order to set up strong State Divisions, we need a large sum of money, extending over a minimum of five years. To do this, we need $1,400,000. Under those circumstances, the Atlanta office would cease to be a single-membership organization. People would be members of State Divisions only. The central office in Atlanta would tie together the activities of the various State organizations. They could recruit more members from within their own States than the central office could.

SRC's Future in the Absence of a Large Grant

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that we had in sight for next year a little less than $20,000, and would need $40,000 to run the Council, even on its present inadequate basis. Every month we will be $2,000 short. It is now time to say that either the Council has got to be put in a position really to do its job, or we ought to contemplate doing without it.

REPORT ON FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

At this point, President Williams called on Mrs. Tilly to describe at greater length the Fellowship of the Concerned, particularly in connection with the courts.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

The director of information, Harold Fleming, reported on the publicity received by the Council during the year.

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF MEMBERS

Dr. Mitchell introduced the following new staff members: Anna Holden, research assistant; Adella Shields, membership secretary; Katherine Stoney, secretary-treasurer; Emily Calhoun, secretary to the executive director.

STATEMENT ON POLICY AND PROGRAM

Mr. Williams pointed out that at the last annual membership meeting it was voted that a committee should be set up to draft a statement on policy and

program. Mr. Williams called on Dr. Dent to report from that committee. Dr. Dent, on behalf of the committee, read the attached statement. Mr. Williams then called upon Dr. Hancock for comment, and after further discussion, the statement was, on motion, adopted.

Father Twomey undertook to contribute toward the cost of publishing the statement in a separate brochure.

DISCUSSION ON WHETHER PRESS SHOULD BE PRESENT

Mrs. Davidson, as a newspaper woman, regretted the absence of the press at so important a meeting. Mr. Fleming pointed out that arrangements made for press notice of the statement were likely to get it very wide distribution, but Mrs. Davidson still wished that the general press had been present.

MR. WILLIAMS' RESIGNATION AS PRESIDENT

Mr. Williams then announced that he had asked the nominating committee not to consider him for president for the following year. He stated that he would be with the organization in spirit and would do anything he could to further its aims, but that he had accepted the presidency somewhat in the spirit of an emergency and had remained in office for six years, and now thought it time for other hands to take over the leadership of the Council.

Rabbi Mannheimband praised Mr. Williams for his fine leadership, and requested that Mr. Williams' address be separately printed by the Council.

Dr. Dent moved that the members present record their deep and sincere appreciation of the fine work Mr. Williams had done for the last six years, and this was voted.

DR. PARRISH'S REPORT

After the luncheon interval, Dr. Parrish, of the University of Louisville, reported on the integration of Louisville Municipal College with the University of Louisville, giving especial attention to the effect the merger had had on the Negro professors. He also pointed out how non-discriminatory practices had had an effect upon the community, opening more public facilities and more jobs to Negroes.

CHANGES IN THE STRUCTURE OF THE COUNCIL

The following resolution was then distributed by the executive director, who called for a discussion of possible changes in the structure of the Council:

In the event that the Southern Regional Council receives substantial additional financial support, the resultant strengthening of the State organizations and the heightened emphasis on State action programs will make advisable

substantial changes in the structure of the Council.

The membership of the Council, assembled in this meeting of December 12, authorizes the Executive Committee to draft by-laws to accomplish the following changes, such by-laws to take effect when and if approved by a majority vote of the current membership of the Council, polled by mail:

1. Individual membership in the regional organization to be confined to the Board of Directors, and that body to be given power to fill its vacancies, up to a limit of about fifty elected members, by its own selection.

2. Existing State Divisions of the Council to continue (either under that name or under some other approved by them and by or on behalf of the Board of Directors of SRC) as bodies governed by voting memberships within their respective States and affiliated with the Council.

3. In States where no State Divisions exist, agreements to be approved by or on behalf of the Board of Directors with existing or newly-established organizations.

4. All State organizations affiliated with the Council to operate under by-laws approved by them and by or on behalf of the Board, and within general policies laid down by the Board. Each approved State organization to have its two principal officers sit ex officio on the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council, with voice and vote.

5. The regional organization to have authority to assist State Divisions and other affiliated State organizations in the employment of paid personnel and in the development of program.

6. The regional organization to carry forward a program of public information, research interpretation, and coordination of the activities of the State organizations.

After considerable discussion, Dr. Dent gave it as his view that if large funds came to the Council, it would be highly desirable for the Council to have a slightly different structure, and moved the adoption of the resolution. The motion was amended so that the wording at the end of the second paragraph would be changed to read: "when and if submitted by mail to the current membership of the Council, and a majority of the members voting express approval." The motion and the amendment were carried.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Wright, on behalf of the Resolutions Committee, offered a resolution expressing gratitude for the kindness and hospitality of Atlanta University in providing facilities for the meeting.

NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

Miss Stoney presented a proposed budget for 1952.

After a discussion by Miss Mason and others, revealing again the shortfall of $20,000 to $24,000 for the coming year, the meeting authorized the Executive Committee to continue the Council on a month-to-month basis, within the discretion of the Executive Committee.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Arthur Levin, on behalf of the Committee to Nominate Members of the Board of Directors, pointed out that the Board was authorized to have as many as 72 members, that it had 53 at present, and that there were a number of members whose terms of office on the Board were up.

Mr. Levin read the names of members whose terms had expired and who were eligible for reelection, as follows: Mr. J. M. Dabbs, Mr. Paul Christopher, Mrs. W. H. Ratliff; and of those members whose terms of office had expired and who were not eligible for reelection, as follows: Mr. C. H. Gillman, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Rev. T. J. McNamara, Bishop Arthur J. Moore, Dr. A. W. Dent, Mr. John H. Wheeler, Mr. Wilson M. Brown, Dr. Gordon B. Hancock.

Mr. Levin added that the whole Committee had been polled by mail and they had all suggested names for the Board. He then read the list of names recommended by the Committee, as follows:

Harry Ashmore, Paul Christopher, Guy Johnson, Alexander Kline, Maceo Smith, Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor, Mrs. E. J. Rauschkolb, Harold Trigg, Ed Weyler, Paul Williams, L. E. Thomas, Ben J. Massell, Josephine Wilkins, John Page Williams

Dr. Mitchell suggested that the job of allocating terms of years to these people be given to the Executive Committee. With this understanding, the nominations were accepted, and the secretary was authorized to cast a ballot electing them to membership on the Board.*

After a call had been issued for a meeting of the Board of Directors immediately after the membership meeting, the annual membership meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

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* The following allocation of terms was made: Class of 1955--Mr. Ashmore, Mr. Christopher, Dr. Johnson, Rabbi Kline, Mrs. Rayzor, Mrs. Rauschkolb, Mr. Smith, Dr. Trigg, Mr. Weyler, Mr. Paul Williams. Class of 1954--Mr. Thomas, Mr. Massell, Miss Wilkins, Mr. John Page Williams.

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Miss Katherine Stoney, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Stoney:

As far as my failing memory goes I find these to be admirable minutes of the December 13, 1951 membership meeting of the Council. You are to be congratulated on achieving terse reporting and inclusiveness. I find nothing to amend or correct.

Sincerely yours,

Lewis W. Jones

Lewis W. Jones
Director of Research

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Enclosure.

April 21, 1952

Mr. Lewis Jones
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

Dear Mr. Jones:

The By-laws of the Council require that the minutes of the Annual Membership Meeting be read and approved by three members of the Council who are not on the Board. I am asking that you be one of the three and am taking the liberty of sending the minutes on to you. I will appreciate very much your reading them, making any corrections you find needed and sending them back with a short statement that you have done so.

We appreciate all your good work for the Council. Come to see us whenever you are in Atlanta.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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TALLADEGA COLLEGE
UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION
TALLADEGA, ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF
ROMANCE LANGUAGES

April 23, 1952

Miss Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Stoney:

This is to certify that I have read the minutes of the annual membership meeting of the SRC held at Atlanta Univ. on Thursday, December 13, 1951. I hereby give my approval to these minutes.

Enclosed please find a check for three dollars ($3.00) which is being sent to pay my membership dues.

If you want that copy of the minutes returned, kindly let me know.

You might be interested in learning that the University of Pennsylvania has accepted my Ph. D. thesis on Marcel Proust, and that I take the final oral exam on Monday, May 5th. When I went up in Jan. to submit the thesis, I ran into Ted Handy who is also hard at work.

Sincerely yours,

John H. Morrow

April 21, 1952

Mr. John Morrow
Talladega College
Talladega, Alabama

Dear Mr. Morrow:

Will you be good enough to be one of three people attending the Annual Membership Meeting of the Council who will read and approve the minutes of that meeting? This approval by three members who are not on the Board, is required by the By-laws.

I am taking the liberty of sending on the minutes to you and will appreciate very much a short statement that you have read and approved them.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Dear Katherine:

I read the minutes carefully last night and they seem perfect. On page 7, third paragraph I wondered if J. M. Dabbs should be J. M. Dobbs. At this moment I turned back to the list of those present and again found J . M. Dabbs, so I presume the a is the correct spelling.

Cordially yours,

Lucy R Mason

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April 21, 1952

Miss Lucy Randolph Mason
738 Myrtle Street, NE
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Lucy:

It has always been the rule, according to the records I find, that the minutes of the Annual Membership Meetings of the Council be read and approved by three members of the Council, not on the Board.

Will you please read the attached minutes, make any corrections you may think needed, and send me a short statement that you have read and approved them. I'll be very grateful for your help.

I hope that life goes well with you and that you are getting some rest. Come to see us.

Best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Memorandum on Board of Directors as of August, 1951

The Board contains as of now 53 regularly elected members, as follows:

Class of 1951 (11)

Not eligible for immediate reelection:

Georgia
C. H. Gillman
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
T. James McNamara
Arthur J. Moore
Louisiana
A. W. Dent
North Carolina
John H. Wheeler. Has place on Board, ex-officio, as Vice-President of SRC.
Virginia
Wilson M. Brown
Gordon Hancock

Eligible for immediate reelection:

Mississippi
Mrs. W. H. Ratliff. Completing first term.
South Carolina
J. M. Dabbs. Completing first term. Also has place on Board, ex-officio, as head of South Carolina Division.
Tennessee
Paul Christopher. First elected in 1949 to fill term expiring in 1951.

Class of 1952 (19)

Arkansas
R. R. Wright, Jr.
Florida
Herbert Davidson
Georgia
Morris Abram
Benjamin E. Mays
Harry V. Richardson
Louisiana
V. J. O'Connell
Florence Sytz
Mississippi
D. Swan Haworth
North Carolina
W. W. Alexander
Clyde Milner
N. C. Newbold
Howard W. Odum
R. B. Wellons

Oklahoma
O. D. Duncan
Tennessee
Charles S. Johnson ✓
E. W. Palmer
Virginia
Virginius Dabney
Arthur Raper
P. B. Young

Class of 1953 (21)

Alabama
Charles Mantinband
F. D. Patterson
Florida
Mrs. Warren Zeuch
Georgia
Rufus E. Clement ✓
John A. Griffin ✓
Armand May
Lorimer D. Milton
Glenn W. Rainey
Forrester B. Washington
Kentucky
E. A. McDowell
C. H. Parrish
E. A. Penick
North Carolina
Charlotte Hawkins Brown
Marion A. Wright ✓
South Carolina
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie ✓
A. T. Butler
James L. Coker
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
Texas
Carter Wesley ✓
Virginia
Alonzo G. Moron
J. G. Pollard

Class of 1954 (1)

Virginia
Arthur W. Mitchell

Additionally, the Board contains the following persons who, as officers of the Council, are ex-officio members of the Board:

Paul D. Williams
John H. Wheeler
Guy B. Johnson
Carter Wesley
Harold L. Trigg
Leonard Haas

George S. Mitchell

John H. Wheeler (class of 1951) and Carter Wesley (class of 1958) are regularly elected members of the Board, who are additionally entitled to membership ex-officio as Vice-Presidents.

The Board contains also, as ex-officio heads of State Divisions or State Committees eleven non-elected members:

Alabama--A. D. Beittel
Arkansas--W. W. Wilke
Florida--~~W. W. Gibbs~~ Crawford Solomon
Georgia--George E. Clary
Kentucky--J. M. Tydings
Louisiana--L. J. Twomey
Mississippi--John Long
North Carolina--Leon Russell
Tennessee--Alfred Hynders
Texas--Mrs. James S. Crate
Virginia--J. M. Ellison

Thus, the vacancies available in November, 1951, will be as follows:

Full strength authorized by by-laws	72
Present elected members	53
Vacancies	19
But of the 53 elected members, 11 are of the class of 1951, adding vacancies	11
Total vacancies	30

It would be possible to make one further vacancy, by electing a replacement to the class of 1953 in the place of Carter Wesley, who, as Vice-President has a seat on the Board ex-officio.

The by-laws provide (Article IV, Sec. 1) that, "No elected director shall serve more than two consecutive full terms of four years each."

Under this provision, the following former members of the Board will in 1951 be eligible for re-election:

Alabama
D. V. Jemison, class of 1950
Donald Comer, " " 1950
Florida
R. P. Daniel, 1949
Emily Clay, 1950
Edgar Ray, 1950
Francis Bridges, 1944
H. D. Goode, 1948
Mrs. Henry Havens
Walter J. Matherly
Georgia
Jacob Henderson, 1949

Maynard Jackson, 1949
Gerald P. O'Hara
Raymond Paty
Philip H. Shulhafer, 1950
Goodrich White, 1950
Josephine Wilkins, 1950
Mrs. M. E. Tilly. Elected 1944. Became field secretary 1945.

Kentucky
Rufus E. Atwood, 1950
Charles W. Anderson, Jr. Member 1944-45.
Charles W. Clingman, 1948

Louisiana
Felton Clark, 1950
Ernest Delpit. Dropped 1948 for non-payment of dues.

Mississippi
Jacob L. Reddix, 1948

North Carolina
David D. Jones, 1950

South Carolina
J. G. Stuart, 1948

Tennessee
William E. Cole, 1950
Z. A. Looby, 1948

Virginia
Charles Smith, 1950
Edmund M. Preston, 1944

Others
Thomas S. Staple, 1948
Mrs. A. M. P. Strong, 1948

The following former Board members have, at one time or another, resigned:

Name and State	Year Resigned
Aubrey Williams, Alabama	1949
Frank W. Spencer, Georgia	1947
Edgar B. Stern, Louisiana	1948
P. H. Easom, Mississippi	1947
F. C. Wilcoxon, Mississippi	1947
J. W. Seabrook, North Carolina	1949
Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, North Carolina	1949
R. B. Herbert, South Carolina	1947
James L. Robb, Tennessee	1945

The following have been, at one time or another, elected to the Board but did not accept:

Georgia
E. L. Abercrombie, 1949
Lillian Smith, 1944

Kentucky
Barry Bingham, 1945 and 1948
Mark Etheridge, 1948

North Carolina
Jonathan Daniels, 1948
Gordon Gray, 1945

George Watts Hill, 1945
South Carolina
Judge Waites Waring, 1948
Tennessee
Jennings Pherry, 1946
Texas
Archbishop R. M. Lucey, 1944
Virginia
Webster Rhoads, 1950
Louis W. Strauss, 1950
T. W. Wilmer, 1944

Former Board members who have moved out of region:

Horace Mann Bond, 1945
Stanley Brav, 1948
Louis Burnham, 1949
Clarke Foreman, 1949
Ryland Knight,
W. H. Marmion, 1950
Homer P. Rainey
Ira DeA. Reid, 1948

Former ex-officio member, not now on Board and eligible for election:

Rev. H. Brent Schaeffer, Jackson, Mississippi, Chairman of Mississippi Division, 1948-1950.

The following persons have, within the last two or three years, been suggested for membership on the Board:

Arkansas
Harry Ashmore
Georgia
Blanton Fortson
William Hepburn
W. A. Mason
Thomas W. Culpepper
Kentucky
Ed Waller
Mississippi
Bethany Swearingen
Mrs. Lillian Rogers Johnson
North Carolina
Don Showmaker
South Carolina
E. C. Wall
Mrs. C. C. Withington
Tennessee
Mrs. Moses Cantor
Texas
J. L. Clark

Appended is a current list of Fellows of the Council.

December 1951

FINAL PROPOSED COMPOSITE NOMINATIONS LIST FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

I. In the event that the membership meeting should direct a complete reorganization of the Council, altering it into a self-perpetuating Board:

F. D. Patterson	College President	Tuskegee
William Mitch	Labor Leader	Birmingham
Truman Hobbs	Lawyer	Montgomery
Harry Ashmore	Editor	Little Rock
U. S. Bond	Businessman & Planter	Madison, Ark.
Mrs. E. J. Rauschkolb	Church Leader	Little Rock
L. A. Davis	College President	Pine Bluff
Herbert Davidson	Editor	Daytona Beach
L. E. Thomas	Lawyer	Miami
G. D. Rogers, Jr.	Businessman	Tampa
R. P. Daniel	Lawyer	Jacksonville
Arthur J. Moore	Clergyman	Atlanta
Harry V. Richardson	Seminary President	Atlanta
Rufus E. Clement	University President	Atlanta
Morris Abram	Lawyer	Atlanta
Benjamin E. Mays	College President	Atlanta
Ben T. Massell	Businessman	Atlanta
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton	Social Worker	Atlanta
Josephine Wilkins	Organizational Leader	Atlanta
Rufus B. Atwood	College President	Frankfort, Ky.
Hugh Brimm	Clergyman	Louisville
A. W. Dent	University President	New Orleans
Armistead Boothe	Lawyer	Arlington, Va.
Edward H. Weixler	Labor Leader	Louisville
Mrs. Aliene Hicks	Teacher	Norfolk
Mrs. Dudley Cooper	Organizational Leader	Norfolk
John H. Wheeler	Banker	Durham
V. J. O'Connell	Clergyman	New Orleans
Florence Sytz	Social Worker & Dean	New Orleans
Felton Clark	College President	Baton Rouge
Jacob L. Reddix	College President	Jackson
Alexander Kline	Rabbi	Clarksdale, Miss.
A. D. Stewart	Businessman	Amory, Miss.
Howard W. Odum	Professor	Chapel Hill
Clyde Milner	College President	Guilford College
Marion A. Wright	Lawyer	Linville Falls, N. C.
O. D. Duncan	Professor	Stillwater
A. Maceo Smith	Housing Official	Dallas
Will W. Alexander	Farmer	Chapel Hill
J. M. Dabbs	Farmer	Mayesville, S. C.
James L. Coker	Businessman	Hartsville, S. C.
Mrs. C. C. Withington	Church Leader	Greenville
Charles S. Johnson	University President	Nashville
E. W. Palmer	Businessman	Kingsport, Tenn.
Mrs. E. U. Robinson	Church Leader	Franklin, Tenn.
Paul Christopher	Labor Leader	Knoxville
Z. A. Looby	Lawyer	Nashville

Carter Wesley	Editor	Houston
Stanley Marcus	Businessman	Houston
W. L. Clayton	Businessman	Houston
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor	Church Leader	Houston
Maury Maverick, Jr.	Lawyer	San Antonio
John G. Pollard	Farmer	Somers, Va.
Arthur W. Mitchell	Farmer	Petersburg, Va.
Alonzo Moron	College President	Hampton, Va.
Virginius Dabney	Editor	Richmond
Gordon Hancock	Clergyman & Professor	Richmond

This is a total of 21 Negroes and 36 whites. By profession, the breakdown is: 5 church leaders, 4 farmers, 9 businessmen, 4 editors, 11 professional men, 6 clergymen, 15 academic persons (including one school teacher), and 3 labor leaders.

This is a total of 57 persons. Not over 50 would be needed, but some doubtless would not be available. A Board of this kind would presumably have as additional full members approximately 24 persons serving ex officio on the Board by reason of their positions as top officials of State Divisions or State organizations of the Council.

II. In the event that the membership meeting should wish merely to bring the existing Board up to full strength, it would be in order to make 30 nominations to the 30 vacancies on the Board as at present constituted. If so large a number should be elected, it would be desirable to arrange for staggered terms. We recommend that the Executive Committee be authorized to make an equitable distribution of such terms, fitting them into unexpired terms to accord with the by-laws.

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William Mitch		
U. S. Bond		
Mrs. E. J. Rauschkolb		
L. A. Davis		
~~G. D. Rogers, Jr.~~ L. E. Thomas		
R. P. Daniel		
Ben T. Massell		
Josephine Wilkins		
Edward H. Weiler		
Hugh Brimm		
V. J. O'Connell		
H. Brent Schaeffer	Clergyman	Jackson
Alexander Kline		
A. D. Stewart		
Mrs. C. C. Withington		
Z. A. Looby		
Morton Tendler	Physician	Memphis
A. Maceo Smith		
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor		
R. O'Hara Lanier	University President	Houston
W. L. Clayton		
E. A. Johnson	President, Louisiana NAACP	Natchitoches

A. S. Turnipseed	Clergyman	Montgomery
Mrs. A. A. Hardy	Church Leader	Thomaston, Ga.
Ernest Neal	Professor	Tuskegee
Harold DeWitt	Social Worker	Richmond
Harry W. Roberts	Professor	Petersburg, Va.
Mrs. Henry Havens	Church Leader	Jacksonville
Paul Christopher		
J. M. Dabbs		

III. In the event that the membership meeting directs the collapsing of the present Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee into a single small Executive Board (14 members plus the officers of the Council, ex officio, has been discussed):

F. D. Patterson
Herbert Davidson
Charles S. Johnson
Rufus E. Clement
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Rufus B. Atwood
Hugh Brimm
A. W. Dent
V. J. O'Connell
Josephine Wilkins
Jacob L. Reddix
Howard W. Odum
J. M. Dabbs
Gordon Hancock
Paul Christopher

At the present time the officers of the Council are: President, Paul Williams; Vice-Presidents, Carter Wesley, Guy Johnson, Harold Trigg, and John H. Wheeler. It is suggested that we add one additional Vice-President, in addition to replacing John Wheeler, who resigned as Vice-President.

IV. In the event that in addition to a small Executive Board there should be established a large Advisory Committee (approximately 50 members):

All of those listed under (I), above, not listed under (III), above.

This Board served Dec. 1951 – May 1953

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plus 12 ex-officio state
plus ~~5~~ officers

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Birnie, Mrs. C. M.	864 Hunter St., SW, Atlanta, Ga.	1949-53
Brown, Charlotte H.	Sedalia, N. C.	1944-53
Butler, A. T.	1719 Taylor St., Columbia, S. C.	1949-53
Carter, Hodding	504 Arnold Ave., Greenville, Miss.	1945-52
Christopher, Paul R.	216 Flatiron Bldg., Knoxville, Tenn.	1949-55
*Clary, Rev. G. E.	610 Victory Dr., Savannah, Ga.	1949-52
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*Dabbs, James M.	Mayesville, S. C.	1947-52
Davidson, Herbert M.	News-Journal, Daytona Beach, Fla.	1948-52
*Dent, A. W.	Dillard University, New Orleans, La.	1944-52
Duncan, O. D.	Oklahoma A&M College, Stillwater, Okla.	1944-52
*Deer, Rev. Lewis H.	Pulaski Heights Christian Church, Little Rock	1951-52
*Dunlap, Davisson	Barnett Bldg., Jacksonville, Fla.	1953
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*Haas, Leonard	Haas-Howell Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.	1944-52
*Hancock, Gordon B.	Box 6056, Richmond, Va.	1944-52
Haworth, D. Swan	First Baptist Church, Lumberton, N. C.	1949-52
Johnson, Charles S.	Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.	1944-52
Johnson, Guy B.	Box 652, Chapel Hill, N. C.	1951-55
*Long, John	Southern Christian Inst., Edwards, Miss.	1949-52
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May, Armand	Amer. Assoc. Cos., 451 Stephens, Atlanta, Ga.	1945-53
Mays, Benajmin E.	Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.	1944-52
Milner, Clyde	Guilford College, N. C.	1948-52
Milton, L. D.	212 Auburn Ave., NE, Atlanta, Ga.	1944-53
Mitchell, Arthur W.	Box 670, Petersburg, Va.	1950-54
Moron, Alonzo	Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va.	1949-53
*Mynders, Alfred	Chattanooga Times, Chattanooga, Tenn.	1945-52
McDowell, E. A.	Sou. Baptist Theolog. Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C.	1944-53
Newbold, N. C.	N. C. Dept. of Educ., Raleigh, N. C.	1944-52
Odum, Howard W.	U. of N. C., Chapel Hill, N. C.	1945-52
Palmer, E. W.	Kingsport Press, Kingsport, Tenn.	1948-52
Parrish, C. H.	U. of Louisville, Louisville, Ky.	1945-53
Patterson, F. D.	Tuskegee Institute, Ala.	1944-53
Penick, Bishop E. A.	802 Hillsboro St., Raleigh, N. C.	1945-53
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Rainey, Glenn W.	120 3rd St., NW, Atlanta, Ga.	1949-53
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Richardson, Harry V.	Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.	1948-52
Robinson, Mrs. E. U.	Franklin, Tenn.	1950-52
*Russell, Rev. Leon	Jarvis Memorial Church, Greenville, N. C.	1949-53
Spearman, Mrs. E. H.	1511 Laurel St., Columbia, S. C.	1945-53
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*Tydings, J. M.	808 Starks Bldg., Louisville, Ky.	1945-52
Washington, F. B.	Atlanta U. Sch. of Soc. Work, Atlanta, Ga.	1944-53
Wellons, F. D.	Pembroke, N. C.	1949-52
*Wesley, Carter	Box 3086, Houston, Texas	1944-53
Wilkins, Josephine	387 Milledge Ave., Athens, Ga.	1944-50 & 1952-54
Williams, John Page	5401 Tuckahoe Ave., Richmond, Va.	1951-54
Williams, Paul D.	3320 Gloucester Rd., Richmond, Va.	1944-55
*Wright, Marion A.	Linville Falls, N. C.	1945-52
*Whitsett, Rev. Dan C.	First Methodist Church Sylacauga, Ala.	1951-52
Young, P. B.	Journal & Guide, Norfolk, Va.	1948-52
Zeuch, Mrs. Warren	850 Royal Palm Place, Vero Beach, Fla.	1945-53

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January 2, 1952

Mr. Hal G. Lewis
Dept. of Foundations of Education
College of Education
University of Florida
Gainesville, Fla.

Dear Mr. Lewis:

This confirms my undertaking to be in your office by 1:00 p. m. January 7.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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January 2, 1952

Dr. T. Stanton Dietrich
Dept. of Sociology
Florida State University
Tallahassee, Fla.

Dear Dr. Dietrich:

Anna Holden told me she talked with you over the holidays and mentioned that I was coming to Gainesville fairly soon. She said you thought perhaps arrangements could be made for me to talk in general and modestly about our Council to a couple of classes.

I have to do two talks at Gainesville on the afternoon and evening of Monday, January 7. I will take most of the 8th to get over to Tallahassee, but I could undertake to be there by six or seven at night, anyway. And I would expect to stay in Tallahassee until the afternoon of Wednesday, the 9th. It would best suit my own convenience to take the 3:51 plane straight on into Atlanta that afternoon; but I could, if need be, stay longer and find my way back up by bus and train.

I am a former college instructor and an accustomed to the classroom routine.

Do you suppose that you could be kind enough, in addition to seeing what might be done at Florida State, to see if some small appearance for me in a class or so at Florida A&M could be worked out?

The most our Council ever gets out of my going around to colleges is being a little better known, and I do occasionally pick up two or three members. But I haven't any thought of being "feed," particularly as my friends at Gainesville are paying the freight for this Florida trip.

Anna said I might count on staying at your home. If that is still the case, you have company for the night of Tuesday, January 8.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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January 10, 1952

Rev. Lawrence Brediger, M.S.SS.T.
Box 30
Silver Spring, Md.

Dear Father Brediger:

Many thanks for your letter of January 8.

It looks as though I ought to be able to reach Silver Spring by six o'clock, Friday, January 18--particularly with the assistance of all those wide, new roads.

If there is any hitch, I will let you know, but I will try very hard to get there at six.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS LIFE

January 14, 1952

Dr. George Mitchell
c/o Mr. Broadus Mitchell
313 W. 20th Street
New York, New York

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

On March 28-30 the Georgia Student Christian Council and Paine College are planning a student conference at Paine College in Augusta dealing with the theme, "Christian Citizenship in Our World". We would like very much to have you as one of our principal speakers in delivering this theme. The program calls for about two addresses during the week end and a panel discussion with the other leaders. I certainly hope that it will be possible for you to accept this invitation to lead us in this important and timely topic.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Sam L. Laird

Sam L. Laird
Director of Religious Life

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Dictated by Mr. Laird,
signed in his absence.

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February 7, 1952

Rev. Gilbert James
Dept. of Inter-Racial Evangelism of the
Free Methodist Church of North America
Box 198
Greenville, Ill.

Dear Mr. James:

I am going to Shreveport, to be there February 20.
I will try to look up your local people.

If you have any special directions for me, send
them quickly here.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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BROTHERHOOD PLEDGE

Accepting the Scriptural principle of Christian Brotherhood that includes all classes and races of mankind, and my responsibility under the Great Commission to help carry the Gospel to America's fifteen million Negroes, I request to be enrolled in—

THE INTER-RACIAL EVANGELISM BROTHERHOOD
of the Free Methodist Church

as a

- ☐ Subscribing member ($1.00 per year)
- ☐ Contributing member ($5.00 per year)
- ☐ Sustaining member ($10.00 per year)

Signed: .....

Address: .....

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Date ..... Paid ..... Will Pay Later.....

Superintendent
REV. GILBERT JAMES
Box 198
GREENVILLE, ILLINOIS

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REV. A. S. HILL
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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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January 28, 1952

Dear Pastor:

The enclosed materials for the observance of Brotherhood Sunday, February 17, 1952, have been prepared for you by the Department of Inter-racial Evangelism, and we sincerely hope they will assist you in preparing an effective program. If any item in the packet is not suitable for your local situation feel free to discard it.

Along with the poster, sermon material, etc., we have included a few Brotherhood Pledge Cards. **We are urging you as a constructive climax to your service to get as many members for this new Brotherhood as you can.**

You will be interested to know that the first three signers of the Brotherhood pledge were Bishop Leslie R. Marston, Bishop J. Paul Taylor, and Rev. A. S. Hill, our general church treasurer. (See photo in Inter-racial News.)

We are hoping to get 2,000 members throughout our church on Brotherhood Sunday. If we have not sent you enough cards, then just send the names and addresses to us and we will mail cards to them directly.

If the membership contributions are collected be sure to mark them paid and forward the money and cards to Rev. A. S. Hill, Treasurer, Winona Lake, Indiana. However, the membership contribution does not have to be paid at the time of signing. Get as many to sign as will. Be sure to mark the class of membership desired (Subscribing, Contributing, or Sustaining), and then send the cards to Brother Hill, and we will communicate directly with the members.

A full statement of the aims and purposes of the Inter-racial Evangelism Brotherhood, by Bishop Marston, has appeared in a recent issue of the Free Methodist. Also, the enclosed Inter-racial News has an article by Bishop Taylor and one by myself on this Brotherhood.

Please let me thank you in advance for your part in the observance of this important day on our church calendar.

Yours gratefully,

Gilbert James,
Superintendent

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P. S.—Be sure to fill out the enclosed information card and mail it to me as soon as you can after your Brotherhood service. Pray for us.—G. J.

FOR YOUR
INFORMATION

Are All Men Brothers?

THE Brotherhood of Man" has been a much misused phrase, and many believers resent its use because of the inference by some that all men are members of the spiritual family of God without a redemptive reference. Of course this is Universalism and is rejected by all born-again Christians.

However, there is a sense in which all men have a common bond, and that bond is the universal love of God. Christ died for *all!* Our Heavenly Father is not willing that any should perish!

Those of us who are members of the body of Christ have nothing to boast of for *all* have sinned and come short of the glory of God. Those of our brothers in the flesh that have not accepted Christ are of equal intrinsic value in the sight of God with any saint.

Therefore as Christians we have not only the obligation but the earnest desire in our hearts to render loving service to our neighbor (not just to a spiritual brother) in every time of need, regardless of our neighbors race, color or religion.

If we love our neighbor as we love ourselves, we will first labor for his salvation. We will want him to know the joys of sins forgiven and the love of Christ in his heart.

We will want our neighbor to enjoy all the privileges of fellowship in the body of Christ, where there are no racial, national or economic lines, but where all are one in Christ Jesus.

We will want our neighbor, if we love him as we love ourselves, to enjoy on a basis of complete equality every temporal opportunity with which we are blest.

GILBERT JAMES, *Director*
Department of Interracial Evangelism

The Free Methodist Church
"The Church of the Light and Life Hour"
Sunday, February 17, 1952—No. 7

My Neighbor

The Free Methodist Church
"The Church of the Light and Life Hour"

INTERRACIAL NEWS

VOL. III, No. 1 GREENVILLE, ILLINOIS FEBRUARY, 1952

Bishop J. Paul Taylor signing Brotherhood pledge. Those standing are, left to right: Rev. A. S. Hill, Bishop Leslie R. Marston, and Rev. Gilbert James.

AN IMPORTANT ACTION

At a recent meeting of the Executive Commission of the Free Methodist Church, the Commission on Evangelism was authorized to set up an Interracial Evangelism Brotherhood. For a long time those who have been at the heart of the program of Interracial Evangelism, have felt a deep conviction that the church is not fully aware of the vast possibilities for evangelism in the colored races.

1. Our first purpose in setting up this Brotherhood is to increase this awareness. We feel certain that a goodly number have caught the vision of a church big enough to take into its fellowship people of all nationalities and colors. These we desire to have united in a Brotherhood for the purpose of making an impact upon those who have not yet seen the importance of the work that may be done and must be done in this direction.

2. The second purpose in setting up this Brotherhood is to create prayer-groups with this special burden on their hearts. To pray singly for our fellow-men is well. To pray unitedly is better. A group associated for the specific purpose of focusing interest and intercession in a given direction will develop a burning passion that will move them to work with great zeal for the accomplishment of the thing they have prayed for.

3. The third purpose in setting up this Brotherhood is to secure members who will back up their prayers with money as well as work. Millions of Negroes in the United States and Canada need the gospel we hold in trust for them. We are debtors to them. We must not only go directly to them with the message. We must also train workers among them who can minister effectively to them. The regular support that will come from the members of the Brotherhood will enable us to maintain an expanding program. Join today and help invade the unconquered areas in the name of Christ.

—Bishop J. Paul Taylor

Billy Graham's Revival

Not wishing to offend anyone, I have modestly asked the kindly advice of different ones in authority as to the advisability of taking some of our colored people to camp and revival meetings in and around Washington; but have been turned down, not because our holiness brethren objected, but because they feared that someone else might. So, realizing the great spiritual loss that this meant to our young converts, we have long prayed for a little piece of ground where we could have camp-meetings for everybody, regardless of race, creed or color, for our converts do need them.

Recently, we escorted a fine group of our young people to the great Billy Graham Revival now on in Washington as I had been assured in a most gracious manner that we and our group would be perfectly welcome.

Two of the ushers at this meeting are congressmen and all appeared to be of the highest class of men. Wishing to make sure of ourselves, on our arrival at the Armory, I approached an usher and introduced myself, adding: "Where would you like to have us sit?"

"Just anywhere you like," was the kind reply and he escorted us down as near the front as possible and, would you believe it, we landed right in the section that had been roped off for ministers!

My little crowd sat spellbound for this was the first time they had had any such royal treatment. They drank in every word and when the altar call was given most of them went right into the prayer room to get a new blessing. There they were treated as though they were somebody and given due attention and prayer.

This revival is advertised as "Interracial." White and colored sing together in the choir, white and colored ministers appear together as the pastors of the many churches here. The large nursery is supplied with white and colored hostesses and all, under the general supervision of the Red Cross.

Billy Graham is a Southern gentleman and we appreciate the stand he has taken on segregation. God bless him.

Mrs. Julia A. Shelhamer,
38 Eye St., N.W., Washington,
D. C.

BROTHERHOOD SUNDAY

PROGRAM MATERIALS

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

February 17, 1952

TESTIMONIES

December 15 was my sixth birthday in Shreveport. Six years of service, thanksgiving, blessing and praise to our God.

In the work here I have grown deeper in His love and have a greater burden for lost souls. I praise Him for His saving, sanctifying and keeping power. I thank Him for calling and trusting me in this needy field. I know I am in the center of His will.

"I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me, and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me." Gal. 2:20.

Six of our boys and girls have prayed through this school year and have a testimony to live for Christ. Hallelujah!

I am rejoicing for the efforts of the Free Methodist Church to live up to the Bible standard of Christian brotherhood.

Miss Claudia M. Davenport

Throughout the last year, God has been good, and given me a greater devotion to the work here at Shreveport, for I am convinced that being here is truly the will of God.

Since opening of school this fall, we have a heavier burden, because so many children had to be turned away. The reason — insufficient space. We have been touched so many times by the phrase: "No Room for Jesus." When we think of the opportunities that are offered the children at The Free Methodist Grade School, and the lack of opportunities offered elsewhere (especially opportunities to know Christ), it grieves our hearts to have to say, "No room for the children." However, we are trusting God to meet the need real soon.

I have appreciated working with the other members of the faculty here at Shreveport. Our working together is completely without prejudice, either race or creed, because we all love Christ and are carrying the same burden for the work.

My heart is filled with gratitude to all the friends who have written, for gifts sent, for your interest and prayers, and for this opportunity to serve Christ as a worker in the Free Methodist Grade School and church.

Please continue to pray for us.

Yours in His service,
Miss Brewer

"I, the Lord have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant for the people, for a light of the Gentiles." Isaiah 42:6.

How I do praise the Lord for these words for He has wonderfully fulfilled them in my life. I praise the Lord for showing me my need of His salvation while I was young; He gloriously saved me as I sought Him. He then led me into the blessing of heart holiness later. I rejoice today in all His keeping power as I have sought to walk step by step with Him.

I am thankful for the Free Methodist Church and for the testimonies shown forth by its members. The Free Methodist Church is "practising what it preaches" in its efforts to live up to the Bible standard of Christian brotherhood. I love the Free Methodist Church for I believe it offers the greatest opportunity to be found anywhere today to any young person for effective service in promoting the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ and the evangelization of men.

Archie R. Wright

I found God real to my soul in a humble Free Methodist Mission, 38 Eye St., N.W., Washington, D.C. I am glad that in this place God is saving souls and has opened the way for the salvation of myself and others.

When Aunt Helen and Mrs. Shelhamer opened the Interracial mission a few doors from my home, I was curious to see what was going on. I enjoyed the preaching and the singing, also Aunt Helen's stories. Conviction began to work in my heart until I found myself at the altar, weeping my way to Calvary. After a few "ups and downs" I got my feet settled on the rock, Christ Jesus.

Later, He gloriously sanctified me. But before this, He showed me some crooked places in my life and enabled me to make restitution.

I praise God for this wonderful mission, for the Free Methodist Church at large and for its acceptance of everyone on a full equality basis, regardless of race, creed, or color. This has given not only me but others a chance to do something for God.

Gene Alston

BROTHERHOOD SUNDAY

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February 20, 1952

Mr. George Mitchell
Southern Regional Conference
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear George:

This will confirm your telephone conversation with Ben Segal of our staff, on the Memphis CIO Education Conference to be held in Memphis, February 29 through March 2.

You will be on the program on Saturday morning, March 1, 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon, the last hour of the morning session. In general, the subject we would like you to cover is developments in the south in 1952, stressing some of the trends in the field of defense employment, the impact of the growth of industry on southern customs and indirectly some of the social, racial and political problems. I would say that this group is one of our most conservative groups in many ways.

I hope you can arrive in Memphis the night before and I can have a chance to talk to you about the backgrounds of our Memphis group. We will check on the hotels and try to make a reservation for you at the Cisca Hotel for Friday night. We will send you a complete copy of the program and the place of your hotel room soon.

Sincerely yours,

George T. Guernsey

George T. Guernsey
Associate Director
In Charge of Education

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Conferences

February 22, 1952

Dean Charles H. Thompson
Howard University
Washington 1, D. C.

Dear Dean Thompson:

You remember your kind invitation to me to be a consultant-discussant at the April conference on "The Courts and Racial Integration in Education."

I wrote you that an engagement hanging over from way last year for the 16th would all too likely interfere. I am sorry to say that when they now come to pin me down, it is for the 16th, and I shall have to miss the conference, much as I would enjoy it.

But do send me, in any case, a program when you have one available.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I am writing to thank you for consenting to be one of our consultants-discussants for the Conference in April. I hope that you will be able to attend some portions of it.

Sincerely yours,

Chas. H. Thompson

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January 25, 1952

Dean Charles H. Thompson
The Graduate School
Howard University
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Dear Mr. Thompson:

Many thanks for the kind invitation of January 14 to be listed as a consultant for the April 16-18 conference on "The Courts and Racial Integration in Education."

I have an engagement at Columbia, South Carolina, for either the 16th or the 17th, within the option of the people who invited me. I will hope that their final invitation will turn out to be the 17th.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
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Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Howard University is holding a Conference on "The Courts and Racial Integration in Education" on April 16-18, 1952. (See reprint enclosed). In connection with the conference we are developing a list of special consultants and discussants - people who have some special knowledge in the field which the conference will cover, from whom we may feel free to seek advice and on whom we can rely to serve as a nucleus of critical thinking and expression. I am writing to inquire whether you will allow us to list your name in this capacity.

You might be interested to know that we are developing a comprehensive list of questions on this topic that we hope will include every important issue which can be formulated. As soon as this list has been completed, I shall be happy to send you a copy, as well as a copy of the program.

Hoping that you will serve us in the above capacity and thanking you for an early reply, I am

Sincerely yours,

Chas. H. Thompson

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Editorial Comment

THE COURTS AND RACIAL INTEGRATION IN EDUCATION*

A number of thoughtful persons have suggested that, in view of the many complicated problems which are likely to arise,—in fact, which have actually arisen in several instances—as racial integration in education is being achieved, particularly in the South, it would be timely and profitable if a representative group of lawyers, teachers and educational administrators, politicians, religious and civic leaders, and members of the NAACP would get together to discuss some of the problems involved in this area. It has been emphasized that the discussion of some of the issues incident to racial integration in education and an appraisal of our efforts to achieve this objective through court action and other means would be especially helpful at this time.

The Editorial Board of the JOURNAL OF NEGRO EDUCATION and Howard University thought that they could not signalize the 20th anniversary of the JOURNAL in a more appropriate manner than by sponsoring a conference on these vital problems. Accordingly, a conference is being called to meet at Howard University on April 16-18, 1952, to discuss the issues and problems involved in this movement and possible methods of resolving them.

For the want of a more appropriate title or theme, but primarily because seventeen years ago the JOURNAL OF NEGRO EDUCATION published a Yearbook on the subject, "The Courts and the Negro Separate School," the title or theme of this proposed conference (and the 1952 Yearbook of the JOURNAL which will publish the proceedings) is: "The Courts and Racial Integration in Education."

As just noted, seventeen years ago the subject of the Yearbook number of THE JOURNAL OF NEGRO EDUCATION was: "The Courts and the Negro Separate School." Then, the primary concern of this Yearbook was whether resort to the courts was a feasible procedure to employ, to attack the flagrant discrimination in the provision of public education for Negroes under

*A Statement of the Nature and Scope of a Conference to be held at Howard University, Washington, D. C., April 16-18, 1952.

the "separate but equal" arrangement.

The tenor of this Yearbook probably is best described by the fact that one of the main sections consisted of a symposium by Professor W. H. Kilpatrick of Teachers College, Columbia University; Professor Alain Locke of Howard University; the late Dean W. T. B. Williams of Tuskegee Institute; and the writer. Professor Kilpatrick thought resort to the courts should be made only if prevailing sentiment among the majority group was favorable, because "court decisions as well as laws in general have to be enforced by public sentiment." Professor Locke suggested that we ought to resort to the courts if for no other reason than that "It is worth the protest in the enhancement of self-respect . . . "; Dean Williams argued that "court action . . . was a doubtful remedy," because there were "too few liberal communities to warrant general court action"; the writer insisted that not only should we resort to the courts but that it was "the only reasonable alternative to remedy immediate abuses in the Negro separate school."

In a different section of this same volume Dr. Ralph Bunche, who was at that time professor of political science at Howard University, discussing the question of resorting to the courts as one of the tactics employed by minority groups to improve their status, concluded: "There is more than enough evidence in the decisions of the supreme tribunal of the land on questions involving the rights of the Negro to disprove the possibility of any general relief from this quarter." And he based his conclusions upon two observations: "In the first place, American experience affords too many proofs that laws and decisions contrary to the will of the majority cannot be enforced. In the second place, the Supreme Court can effect no revolutionary changes in the economic order, and yet the status of the Negro, as that of other groups in the society, is fundamentally fixed by the functioning and the demands of that order. The very attitudes of the majority group which fix the Negro in his disadvantaged position are part and parcel of the economic and political order."

It probably should be observed here that this discussion of resort to the courts was wholly and exclusively within the framework of "separate-but-equal." Few, if any, persons who discussed the question, not even the NAACP, envisaged a direct attack upon segregated public schools. Even Attorneys Maceo Hubbard and Raymond Pace Alexander who contributed a chapter to this same Yearbook on "Types of potentially favorable court cases relative to the separate school" limited their suggested court action strictly to attempts to eliminate inequities within the segregated framework.

I cite these facts to illustrate how far we have come in the short space of seventeen years, both in our own thinking and in the de-

velopment of public opinion, as well as in successful litigation. I say, "how far we have come," but it might be more accurate to say that they illustrate where we *started from.* For it is not too clear at this writing just how far we *have* come. That is one of the three or four major questions which will comprise the basis of this conference.

At the present time, largely through the result of court action, the following examples are illustrative of the modifications in the segregated education of Negroes which have been made:

1. State universities in eleven states (Delaware, Maryland, West Virginia, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Virginia, North Carolina, Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Missouri) have admitted Negro students primarily to certain graduate and professional divisions, and in two states to the undergraduate college. It is estimated that as many as 1,100 Negroes attended these institutions last year during the regular session and summer school.

2. In a city in one state the parent institution has abolished its Negro branch, admitted the Negro students to the mother institution, and employed one of the Negro faculty members.

3. Private institutions in eight states (Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Texas, Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia and Missouri) and the District of Columbia have revised their admission policies and admitted Negro students. In an institution in one state there were 251 Negro students registered and five Negro teachers on the faculty.

4. As a result of the McLaurin case the early policy and practice in some institutions of segregating Negro students after they had been admitted have been practically abolished—the most recent instance being the University of North Carolina which at first attempted to segregate Negro students at football games but later rescinded the policy, after protests from a number of student groups in the University and when the Negro students threatened to take the matter into court.

5. In addition to such concrete results as noted, probably the most important modification that has taken place in connection with the policy and practice of segregated education of Negroes has been the change in attitudes of both whites and Negroes, North and South. Negroes are determined, and all but the most reactionary whites are resigned to the fact, that enforced segregated schools must go in the very near future.

In addition to the modifications noted above in connection with education, it should be observed that considerable modification of segregation policies and practices has taken place in other areas of Negro life, such as removal of certain disabilities in connection with the use of transportation facilities, accommodation in public places, and the like. Obviously these re-

sults have had considerable effect upon our efforts to remove disabilities in the field of education. For segregated schools are not an isolated phenomenon.

Appraisal of Court Action

The "unfinished business" which is the subject of this conference has several aspects—the legal, political, educational, etc. In connection with the legal aspect not only is it desirable and necessary that we know where we are, but even more important we need to know where we go from here. Some of the issues and questions which come to the mind of a layman in this area are illustrated by the following:

1. What are the disabilities which court action has sought to remedy? Is it our aim in current and contemplated litigation merely to outlaw mandatory segregation? If not, what other objectives do we have in mind?

2. What do present decisions mean in light of the fact that the Supreme Court has not ruled upon the question of whether educational segregation per se is discrimination? For example, what rights and privileges have Negroes gained or more specifically what disabilities have been removed? Again, where court decisions have set aside state statutes and state constitutional provisions requiring segregation of the races in education, to the extent that Negroes have been admitted to certain state universities, what effect do these decisions have upon private colleges and universities? Could private white universities admit Negroes if they wished to do so? Could Negro public and private colleges and universities admit white students if they wished to do so? If not, should we bring suits to make it possible?

3. Suppose the Supreme Court does hand down a favorable decision, what will this mean? More specifically what would be the practical effect of a favorable decision outlawing segregated public schools? Would this mean merely that Negroes would have the initiative in attempting to get the decision enforced?

4. Suppose the Supreme Court continues to find it unnecessary to make a definitive decision on segregated schools. What do we do then? Do we face the possibility of having to fight state by state, school by school, individual by individual?

5. What should we do about the four or five states where little or no progress has been made even on the graduate and professional levels?

6. What are the advantages and disadvantages of litigation? What can litigation do and what can it not do?

Another phase of the legal aspect is involved in the question relative to the circumstances under which litigation should be undertaken. Some persons have expressed some concern as to

whether we should attack segregation directly or whether we should content ourselves with attempting to arrive at the same objective by whittling away *Plessy* v. *Ferguson.* Still others have wondered whether court action directed to the end of racial integration in the common schools is not premature. And still others have thought that resort to the courts to get racial integration in education should only be made after, or at the least in conjunction with, efforts to achieve integration in other areas.

Much of such concern undoubtedly is due to many factors—mainly misunderstanding of the objectives and possible consequences of court action, as well as different bases for assessing the effectiveness of different courses of action. A frank discussion of these issues, we hope, will not only clarify the situation but will serve to give further unity and strength to our efforts.

While noting the legal aspect of this situation, the question might well be raised as to what further might be done in the areas of politics, public opinion, and the like to supplement court action. For example, Negroes are voting to a greater extent than ever before in the South. Is there anything which they can do with the ballot or through political influence to aid in achieving integration in the South? The current international situation is such that our cause will probably receive a more sympathetic hearing than under normal circumstances. Are we using this opportunity to the best advantage? In the area of Federal and state legislation, mainly the former, should we try to get sanctions written into Federal-aid-to-education bills which would prevent funds from going to states which maintain segregation in education?

Implementing Court Decisions

It is obvious that, when we get favorable court decisions on the issue of racial integration in education, we shall have passed only the first stage. The problem of how best to implement these decisions is not only difficult, but obviously should be attempted only after considerable forethought. In fact, whether and under what circumstances litigation will be initiated should be determined in relation to the problem of implementation. Thus, one of the important objectives of this conference is to discuss ways and means of meeting the many problems which will inevitably ensue.

There are many issues involved here, but the following are examples of some of the problems which we face:

1. What is to be the future role of the separate Negro public college which was established primarily to serve the higher educational needs of Negroes because they were excluded from the public colleges for the majority group?

   (a) Because the South in general is educationally under-

developed, will there be need for these institutions in an integrated system as non-racial units? Can this question be answered by facts? What facts?

(b) In the case of the Negro land-grant college particularly, should it be expected to continue to perform any land-grant functions in an integrated system? If so, which? If not, what functions could and should it attempt to perform?

(c) There begin to appear on the surface certain tactics on the part of some states to continue to duplicate higher educational facilities in the Negro public colleges—e. g. establishment of Ph.D programs, professional schools, etc., (which will necessarily be inferior to similar work in the state university)—in an attempt to induce the great majority of Negroes to stay within the confines of these institutions. What should be our attitude and action in such instances?

(d) What is likely to be the effect upon appropriations for former Negro public colleges under integration? What can be done to prevent disadvantageous results?

(e) How potent is the fact of current investments in Negro public colleges an argument for their survival as non-racial institutions?

2. What is to be the future role of the Negro *private* college?

(a) Again, is the South so under-developed educationally that there will be need for these institutions as non-racial units? (What facts should determine the answer to this question?)

(b) If the answer to the main question immediately preceding is in the affirmative, is there any special role which these institutions could and should play as non-racial institutions? If so, what is that role?

3. What efforts, if any, could or should be made to encourage or persuade private white colleges in the South to revise their admission requirements so as to admit Negro students during this transition period? Are there any Negro colleges which restrict their enrollment to Negro students except where they are forced to do so by law? If so, what are the restrictions?

4. What are some of the most critical problems which we will have to face in achieving racial integration in the *public schools* in the South? What can we do to anticipate some of these problems so as to facilitate the process of integration? How can we profit by the experience of certain Northern and border communities in this regard? (Indiana, New Jersey.)

Organization of the Conference

In this brief discussion of the courts in connection with the elimination of segregation in educa-

tion which involves an appraisal of court action as a tactic, as well as the enumeration of some of the problems which we have to face in achieving integration, there has been no attempt to be exhaustive. The main purpose up to this point has been to indicate that there are unresolved issues and by implication that a discussion of them would be profitable. We are very glad to report that some thirty or forty educators, lawyers, and civic and religious leaders have been kind enough to give their considered reactions on the proposal to hold the conference and they were practically unanimous in their opinion that it was not only desirable but timely.

The success of such a conference as here proposed, involving critical issues which should have thorough consideration, is dependent upon the fact that the group should be small enough to make rather thorough consideration possible, but large enough to be representative. Accordingly, it has been decided that the number of participants be limited to not more than 200 persons who would be representative of a large number of organized groups.

We have been mindful of the fact that the general public is also keenly interested in the problems to be discussed in this conference. Hence, it has been decided that provision be made for two sessions which will be open to the public —the first session which would involve a broad definition of the problem, and the final session which would present a summary of findings. The other sessions would be open only to accredited delegates.

It probably should be emphasized that the main interest of the Editorial Board of the JOURNAL and Howard University in holding such a conference is to render a service to the cause of education in our democratic social order. This has been one of the major aims of the JOURNAL during the twenty years of its existence.

CHAS. H. THOMPSON

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March 7, 1952

Mr. A. P. Harvey, President
Central Trades & Labor Council
627 North St.
New Orleans 12, La.

Dear Mr. Harvey:

Many thanks for your letter of February 28.

I will be duly on hand for the Louisiana State Conference for Labor Education March 15 and 16, and look forward to it greatly.

Can you get me straight as to the place of the opening session Saturday morning, March 15, at 9:30? In general, the meeting has been described as at Xavier, but the opening meeting has been listed for Coss Hall, which I think is part of Dillard.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. George Mitchell, Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Mitchell:

It is my understanding that Father Twomey has acquainted you with the details of a workers education institute scheduled to be held at Xavier University in New Orleans March 15 and 16. Our people have expressed an overwhelming desire to have you participate in the institute and especially to serve as one of the principal speakers and a panel consultant on problems which are of interest in our section.

Approximately two hundred representatives of labor, management, veterans and other groups will assemble for this two day educational program. The general theme of our program is "The Role of the Citizen in a Changing Community."

The inclosed tentative program will give you some idea of the nature and scope of the forthcoming program.

Sincerely yours,

A. P. Harvey

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President

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM
SECOND INTERIM INSTITUTE
Louisiana State Conference for Labor Education

March 15th and 16th, 1952

SATURDAY, MARCH 15th, 1952

8:30 A.M.	Registration	Henson Hall (Gym)
9:30 A.M.	Opening Session	Coss Hall
	A. P. Harvey, President, Central Trades & Labor Council	Presiding
	Invocation	Rev. W. M. Jones
	Statement of Objectives	Revius O. Ortique
	Welcome	Dr. Albert W. Dent, President, Dillard University
	Address	E. H. Williams, President, La. State Federation of Labor
	God Bless America	
11:30 A.M.	Lunch	Kearny Hall
1:00 P.M.	Panels	Davis Hall

Panel I
PRACTICAL ASPECTS OF THE LOUISIANA UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION ACT

Panel II
THE URBAN LEAGUE'S APPROACH TO JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Panel III
HOW TO PRESENT PETITIONS FOR WAGE INCREASES TO THE WAGE STABILIZATION BOARD

2:50 P.M.	Recess	
3:10 P.M.	Panels	Davis Hall

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Panel IV

POLITICAL EDUCATION
(a) For Labor and the Community
(b) For Minority Groups and the Community

Panel V

HOW IMPORTANT ARE OUR YOUTH
(a) The Louisiana Youth Commission, Its Objectives and Program
(b) Legal Provision and Enforcements
(c) Youth and School Authorities

8:00 P.M.	Conference Dinner	Hayes Chicken Shack 2101 Louisiana Avenue
	Addresses	Father Vincent J. O'Connell
		Mrs. Edith Sampson, U.S. Representative to the United Nations

SUNDAY, MARCH 16th, 1952

8:30 A.M.	Registration	Henson Hall
9:00 A.M.	General Session Invocation Address	Coss Hall John Eklund, Int'l. President, American Federation of Teachers
10:00 A.M.	Panels	

Panel I

IMPORTANT EVENTS IN THE GROWTH OF THE AMERICAN LABOR MOVEMENT
(a) Legal History of the American Labor Movement
(b) Legal History of Labor in Louisiana

Panel II

THE ROLE OF UNIVERSITIES IN LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Panel III

OUR CIVIL LIBERTIES IN TIME OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY

12:00 Noon	Lunch	
2:00 P.M.	Public Meeting	Henson Hall
	Master of Ceremony	Marvin E. Thames, Administrator, La. Div. of Employment Security

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Selection	Dillard University's Choir
Address	Mrs. Anna Rosenberg, Manpower Director, U.S. Dept. of Defense
Selection	Dillard University's Choir
America	
Benediction	

Tentative Program, Second Interim Institute,
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Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I am inclosing tentative program of the Third Interim Institute. You will note that your name appears several times, but with special position for Sunday, March 16. Just feel free to fit yourself into any panels where you think you can give some help and particularly a little encouragement to some individuals who might be on the panels or in the participating audience.

I am happy to note that the suggestions in your letter of March 3 are in line with our theme and most of the panels. I should have expected this of you, any way.

Many people in New Orleans are happy to know that you will attend the institute.

Sincerely yours,

George

George W. Snowden
Executive Director

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PROGRAMME

THIRD INTERIM WORKERS EDUCATION INSTITUTE
Xavier University, March 15-16, 1952

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Theme: The Role of the Citizen in a Changing Community

Saturday, and Sunday March 15-16, 1952

SATURDAY, MARCH 15 - MORNING SESSION

8:30	Registration	Administration Building
9:30	Opening Session	Auditorium-Adm. Bldg.
	A. P. Harvey, President, New Orleans Central Trades & Labor Council	Presiding
	Invocation	Rev. W. M. Jones, Vice President, Atlantic & Gulf Coast, ILA
	Welcome	Mother M. Agatha, S.B.S.LLD. President, Xavier Univ.
	Statement of Objectives	Revius O. Ortique, Associate Director for La. Conf. for Labor Ed.
	Address	Hon. Edwin I. Soule, Commissioner of Labor, Louisiana
10:30	Panel A	Auditorium

A PREVIEW OF LOUISIANA POLITICS 1952-PERSONALITIES AND PROGRAMS

Dr. L. V. Howard, Chairman, Department of Political Science, Tulane University — Presiding

Discussants

Hon. C. E. "Cap" Barham, Lt.Gov.-Elect
Hon. Robert Ainsworth, Member La. Senate
Father Vincent J. O'Connell, Catholic Committee of South
Member, Louisiana House of Representatives
E. H. "Lige" Williams, President, La. State Federation of Labor

12:00	LUNCH	University Dining Hall

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:15	Panel B	

HUMAN RELATIONS

Brant Coopersmith, Director New Orleans Regional Office Anti-Defamation League — Presiding

(1) Law Enforcement and Human Relations

Discussants

Judge Leo Blessing, N.O. Juvenile Court
Hon. James Screen, Assistant District Attorney, N.O.
Major William McNamara, N.O. Police Department
Charles Driscoll, Professor of Law, Loyola University
* Goerge S. Mitchell, Ex. Director, Sou. Regional Council

(2) Labor and Human Relations

Discussants

John LeBas, Regional Director, N.L.R.B.
Dave A. Dennis, President General Longshore Workers, Local 1419
Hugh Flattery, Business Agent, N.M.U.

Panel C

OUR YOUTH ARE IMPORTANT-PROBLEMS AND PROGRAMS IN A CHANGING COMMUNITY

Mrs. Veronica B. Hill, Vice President, American Federation of Teachers, Int'l. Union — Presiding

Discussants

Lawrence E. Higgins, Executive Secretary, Louisiana Youth Commission
Mrs. Jose Ames, Director, Division of Women and Children La. Department of Labor
L. D. Crocker, Principal B. T. Washington High School
George Long
Miss Selma Borchardt, Washington Legislative Representative, American Federation of Teachers

Panel D

TOWARD AN UNDERSTANDING OF PRICE CONTROLS--THE WHY AND THE EFFECT

Someone from Xavier's Economic Faculty to preside

Discussants

Dr. Gerald E. Warren, District Price Executive
J. Dufour Bayle, District OPS Enforcement Director

3:15 Panel E

HOW THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY PROGRAM BENEFITS THE WORKER

Wilbur P. Kramer, Administrator, Louisiana Division of Employment Security — Presiding

Discussants

A. J. Robichaux, Chief of Reports and Analysis, La. Division of Employment Security
Germinal Messina, New Orleans District Director, La. Division of Employment Security
Jules L. Lamothe, Unemployment Insurance Director, La. Division of Employment Security

Panel F

OLD AGE INSURANCE IN A CHANGING COMMUNITY

Someone to preside

Discussants

E. H. Frank, Manager, New Orleans Office, Federal Security Administrator
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Panel G The Floor Under and the Ceiling Over-Wages and Salaries.

8:00 p.m. Institute Dinner — Hayes Restaurant, 2101 Louisiana Ave.

Carroll G. Bolding, Secretary-Business Agent
Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local #965 — Presiding

SPEAKERS:

Dr. George W. Snowden, Special Representative
La. Division of Employment Security

Father Vincent J. O'Connell, Chairman
Catholic Committee of the South

SUNDAY, MARCH 16 MORNING SESSION

8:30 Registration — Administration Bldg.

9:00 General Session — Auditorium, Adm. Bldg.

Revius O. Ortique, Associate Director
La. State Conf. for Labor Education — Presiding

ADDRESS — E. H. "Lige Williams, President, La. State Federation of Labor

10:30 Panel G

IMPORTANT EVENTS IN THE AMERICAN LABOR MOVEMENT

Robert S. Green, Secretary, Construction Laborers
Local Union #689 — Presiding

Discussants

C. Paul Barker, Labor Relations Attorney, New Orleans
Father Louis J. Twomey, Director Institute of Industrial Relations, Loyola University
Aubrey C. Hirsch, Attorney, La. State Federation of Labor

Panel H

ROLE OF THE UNIVERSITY IN LABOR--MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Person to preside

Discussants

Father Jacques E. Yenni, S.J., Associate Director
Institute of Industrial Relations, Loyola, Univ.
George McKenna, Associate Professor Sociology, Xavier

Panel I

POLITICAL EDUCATION--NUMBER ONE NEED IN A CHANGING COMMUNITY

(Write Letter) John Minor Wisdom, Attorney of New Orleans and member Louisiana Republican Party

(1) Political Education For Labor and the Community

Discussants

A. P. Harvey, President, N.O. Central Trades & Labor Council
Eddie Miller, Business Agent, Construction Laborers Local 689
Father Vincent J. O'Connell

(2) Political Education for Minority Groups and the Community

Discussants

A. P. Tureaud, Attorney, OPPVL
* George S. Mitchell, Executive Secretary, Southern Regional Council
Ernest J. Wright, Director Peoples Defense League
Earl Amadee, Crescent City Independent Voters League

12:15	LUNCH	University Dining Hall
2:00	Public Meeting	University Gym.
	Dr. George W. Snowden, Executive Director, Louisiana State Conference for Labor Education	Presiding
	Music:	Xavier University Concert Choir
	Address:	Hon. Delesseps Morrison, Mayor, City of New Orleans
		* George S. Mitchell, Executive Director Southern Regional Council

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Memorandum

To: Participants - Panel on Political Education
From: Executive Director, La. State Conference for Labor Education

Panel Title: Political Education - Number One Need in a Changing Community

Date and Time: Sunday, March 16, 1952 10:30 a.m.

Place: Xavier University
New Orleans

Panel Chairman: Atty. John Minor Wisdom, Chairman, Republican Orleans Parish Executive Committee

Part I Political Education for Labor and the Community

Discussants: A. P. Harvey, President, New Orleans Central Trades and Labor Council
Eddie Miller, Business Agent, Construction Laborers Local 689
Father Vincent J. O'Connell, Chairman Catholic Committee of the South

Part II Political Education for Minority Groups and the Community

Discussants: A. P. Tureaud, Attorney, Orleans Parish Progressive Voters League
George S. Mitchell, Executive Secretary, Southern Regional Council
Ernest J. Wright, Director Peoples Defense League
Atty. Earl Amadee, Crescent City Indepedent Voters League

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THIRD INTERIM WORKERS EDUCATION INSTITUTE
Xavier University, March 15-16, 1952

THEME: The Role of the Citizen in a Changing Community

SATURDAY, MARCH 15 - MORNING SESSION

8:30	Registration	Administration Bldg.
9:30	Opening Session Address	Auditorium-Adm. Bldg. Hon. Edwin I. Soule Commissioner of Labor, La.
10:30	Panel A A PREVIEW OF LOUISIANA POLITICS 1952 -PERSONALITIES AND PROGRAM	Auditorium
12:00	LUNCH	
1:15	Panel B HUMAN RELATIONS (a) Law Enforcement (b) Labor	
	Panel C OUR YOUTH ARE IMPORTANT—PROBLEMS AND PROGRAMS IN A CHANGING COMMUNITY	
	Panel D TOWARD AN UNDERSTANDING OF PRICE CONTROLS—THE WHY AND THE EFFECT	
3:15	Panel E HOW THE LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY PROGRAM BENEFITS THE WORKER	
	Panel F OLD AGE INSURANCE IN A CHANGING COMMUNITY	
	Panel G THE FLOOR UNDER AND THE CEILING OVER WAGES AND SALARIES	
8:00 p.m.	INSTITUTE DINNER	Hayes Restaurant 2101 Louisiana Ave.

SUNDAY, MARCH 16 — MORNING SESSION

8:30	Registration	Administration Bldg.
9:00	General Session	Auditorium, Adm. Bldg.
10:30	Panel H IMPORTANT EVENTS IN THE AMERICAN LABOR MOVEMENT	
	Panel I ROLE OF THE UNIVERSITY IN LABOR—MANAGEMENT RELATIONS	
	Panel J POLITICAL EDUCATION—NUMBER ONE NEED IN A CHANGING COMMUNITY (a) Labor & the Community (b) Minority Groups & the Community	
12:15	LUNCH	University Dining Hall
2:00	Public Meeting	University Gym.
	Address	Hon. Delesseps Morrison, Mayor, City of N.O. George S. Mitchell, Sou. Regional Council

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Mr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Your note of March 6 has arrived during Dean Young's absence from the Campus. I have taken the liberty of checking on the status of the reimbursement due you on account of the expenses incurred in connection with the meeting on student deferment, and am informed that a check went forward to you last week. In the event you have not received it, I would appreciate your letting me know.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

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February 20, 1952

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

My associates join with me in sending you sincere thanks for the fine contribution you made as a participant in the discussions on student deferment at Arden House last week.

The National Manpower Council is particularly grateful for the wide coverage and breadth of understanding which the participants gave to the many aspects of the problem. At its meeting on Sunday, the Council considered at length the substantial and constructive discussions of the Assembly group. The Council in redrafting its policy statement on student deferment is making full use of the contributions of the Assembly members.

As soon as the Council's policy statement is available, we will see that you receive a copy.

Sincerely,

Philip Young
Executive Director

Dr. George S. Mitchell
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

January 30, 1952

Mr. Philip Young, Executive Director
The American Assembly
Graduate School of Business
Columbia University
New York 27, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Young:

This confirms my wire of January 25, accepting the kind invitation in your letter of January 17 to take part in the meeting February 14-17.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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January 17, 1952

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

The National Manpower Council has formulated a series of recommendations on student deferment policy. At the Council's request, The American Assembly is sponsoring a meeting of a selected group of representative citizens to discuss and weigh these recommendations.

On behalf of The American Assembly, it is my privilege to invite you to be one of the participants in this Conference.

The National Manpower Council, composed of businessmen, educators, and leaders from other groups, was established in 1951 at Columbia University under a grant from the Ford Foundation. The objective of the Council is to appraise continually the problems and policies bearing upon national manpower utilization. Its findings and recommendations are submitted to policy makers in government, business, public and private institutions, to the press, and to the general public.

The meeting, which I hope you will attend, will be held at Arden House on the Harriman Campus of Columbia University, and will begin on Thursday afternoon, February 14, and will conclude after luncheon on Saturday, February 16, 1952. During your stay at Arden House you will be the guest of The American Assembly. You will be reimbursed for your personal traveling expenses if you desire. About fifty participants from various parts of the country will be present.

We will gather at the Men's Faculty Club (400 West 117th Street, New York City) on the main Columbia campus at 3 p.m., Thursday, February 14. Transportation will be provided to Arden House, and we will return to New York late Saturday afternoon.

Through the discussions at Arden House, which will be off-the-record, the National Manpower Council hopes to secure critical evaluation of its thinking, a sense of how its recommendations would be publicly received, and suggestions on putting these recommendations to work most effectively for the benefit of the country.

The Council will finalize its policy recommendations on student deferment after it has absorbed the ideas, comments, criticisms, and suggestions of the group of which we hope you will be a member.

Student deferment policy is a key aspect of military manpower policy which directly affects the training of highly specialized, scientific, and skilled personnel. It is, therefore, of immediate significance to the needs and concerns of industry, labor, business, agriculture, science, and education.

The National Manpower Council has concrete recommendations on deferment policy which seek to secure the needs of the national interest in a period of partial mobilization. We should like to have the benefit of your experience in evaluating these recommendations, before they are released. We are not concerned with their being absolutely "foolproof" but we want to be sure they are as sound, specific, and helpful to the country's policy-makers as we believe they are. We seek your help, and we seek it solely for the discussion task we have described.

Material to serve as background for the Arden House discussions on student deferment will be forwarded to you about two weeks prior to the meeting, if you can attend. I am enclosing a Statement on manpower, issued by the Council, together with an informative booklet about The American Assembly.

I hope very much that your schedule will permit you to attend the conference and will appreciate your advising me by wire (collect) whether or not you will be able to join us in this project of timely importance to the country. Please telegraph your reply to me at the Graduate School of Business, Columbia University.

Sincerely,

Philip Young

Philip Young, Executive Director
The American Assembly

Dr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

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NATIONAL MANPOWER COUNCIL

A STATEMENT

TO BUILD a stronghold of democracy and freedom, the United States has assumed responsibilities which make a heavy demand upon its most critical resource—manpower. With only six percent of the world's population, we are required to expand our industry to new heights, to assist our allies, and to maintain a military force strong enough to deter aggression. To be adequately prepared, we are also compelled to build a base for full-scale mobilization.

Our strength lies in our people. To meet the challenge of the present crisis, we must strive to develop and use our manpower resources as wisely and effectively as possible. To contribute to the appraisal and solution of our nation's manpower problems, the National Manpower Council has been established at Columbia University, under a grant from the Ford Foundation.

The National Manpower Council has been identifying and analyzing the major short-run and long-run manpower problems which face the United States. It will submit to the public, to voluntary groups, and to the governmental agencies directly concerned, its manpower policy recommendations.

WE DO NOT now face an overall manpower shortage. Women, older workers, and young people coming into the labor market provide manpower reserves. So do the physically handicapped, groups frequently discriminated against in employment, and workers whose talents and skills are poorly utilized. There is, moreover, some unemployment and

considerable underemployment in various industries, among them, agriculture, textiles and clothing. Even though the unemployed represent only a small proportion of a civilian working force of some sixty-four million, the human costs of unemployment are always a challenge to a responsible democracy.

While there is no overall shortage at present, the nation's manpower pool is relatively shallow. The low birth rate during the depression of the 1930's has reduced the number of young men available today for military service and for training in civilian skills. The required numbers of skilled people for important defense jobs are frequently not available or not in the localities where they are needed. The defense industries have already made major demands upon our manpower, and a sharply intensified mobilization program would severely strain our resources.

BECAUSE we value freedom, we have been reluctant to adopt a system of compulsory military service. Nevertheless, we have come to recognize that we must use Selective Service to build up and maintain our Armed Services at the required strength. The passage of the Universal Military Training and Service Act of 1951, however, does not resolve all our military manpower problems. Congress will shortly decide whether to depart further from tradition and enact a program of universal military training.

The solution of these military manpower problems is made more difficult by insufficient numbers of scientists, doctors, engineers, and other specialists and technicians to meet the combined demands of the Armed Services, industry, teaching, and research. To reduce and eliminate these deficiencies we need to develop more trained people.

THE SUCCESS of our efforts to protect our way of life rests on our ability to eliminate manpower wastes and to develop the full potentialities of all of us. We are made weaker by every practice, wherever it exists, which restricts the opportunities of individuals for employment, training, and effective utilization. Government has a special responsibility to utilize its personnel effectively. Defense procurement policies in particular should be developed with full recognition of their impact upon existing manpower resources and reserves.

Our strength as a nation depends even more on the quality than on the numbers of our people. Their potential capacities and capabilities are at once our richest and most precious possession. Every field of endeavor will benefit as we provide greater opportunities for the training of skills and the development of talent and leadership.

We must also learn how to adapt the social advances of pension schemes and security benefits to the needs of the present and the future so that they will encourage older, com-

petent workers to stay on the jobs for which they are suited and not hinder the transfer of workers from one job to another. We have to discover the additional ways through new housing, day nursery centers, and training programs for facilitating the full use of our manpower.

OUR nation's manpower policies are not made by the government alone. They grow out of countless voluntary decisions by individuals, employers, and unions. We believe that each individual should continue to have primary responsibility for determining his choice of work and pattern of civilian life. In the United States the individual not only has a stake in manpower policy; he shares in making it.

There is no simple formula for solving the manpower problems which confront us. Some must be met immediately to insure the success of our mobilization efforts. Others, equally urgent, will influence the long-run security and prosperity of the United States. Every manpower policy must meet the test of consistency with the traditions and goals of American democracy and with the principle of equality of sacrifice.

THE National Manpower Council, recognizing the crucial importance of skilled workers and scientific personnel, has selected as its first problem the policy of Student Deferment. After review and evaluation of current deferment policy, the Council will formulate its recommendations and submit them for public consideration early in 1952.

Shortages of highly skilled and specialized personnel, the utilization of the older worker, the education and training of tomorrow's worker and citizen, the development and use of womanpower in an industrial society, and military manpower policy are among the problems with which the National Manpower Council will later deal.

November 5, 1951

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GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS · COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, NEW YORK 27, N.Y.

January 30, 1952

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

We are glad to know that you will be a participant in the National Manpower Council's meeting on student deferment sponsored by The American Assembly on February 14-16.

Attached is concise information about the meeting which we thought you would like to have. Within a few days you will receive proofs of the materials which will form the basis of the discussions, so that you may review them at your leisure prior to the conference.

This promises to be an interesting as well as important meeting, and I am confident that you will find it so. We are pleased that you will attend.

Sincerely,

Philip Young

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Executive Director

Dr. George S. Mitchell
63 Auburn Avenue N.E.
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This is a memorandum for participants in the National Manpower Council meeting on Student Deferment sponsored by The American Assembly, February 14-16, 1952.

LOCATION

Arden House, where the meeting will be held, is located on the Harriman Campus of Columbia University in the Ramapo Mountains at Harriman, N. Y. Arden is a very large country home in the American tradition--it is not a hotel. You will be guests of The American Assembly, with food and service facilities provided under direct supervision of experienced personnel. The bedrooms at Arden are double rooms with twin beds. For the most part, participants will be asked to share these rooms.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation will be provided from New York to Arden House on February 14th. A motor coach will leave the Men's Faculty Club, 400 West 117th Street, New York City (on the main Columbia Campus) at 3 P. M. Baggage will be taken care of from this point.

For the convenience of those who plan to drive to Arden, a map of the principal highway routes is attached. The house is about 50 miles north of New York City.

CLOTHING

Informality will be the order of the day; no formal dress will be required.

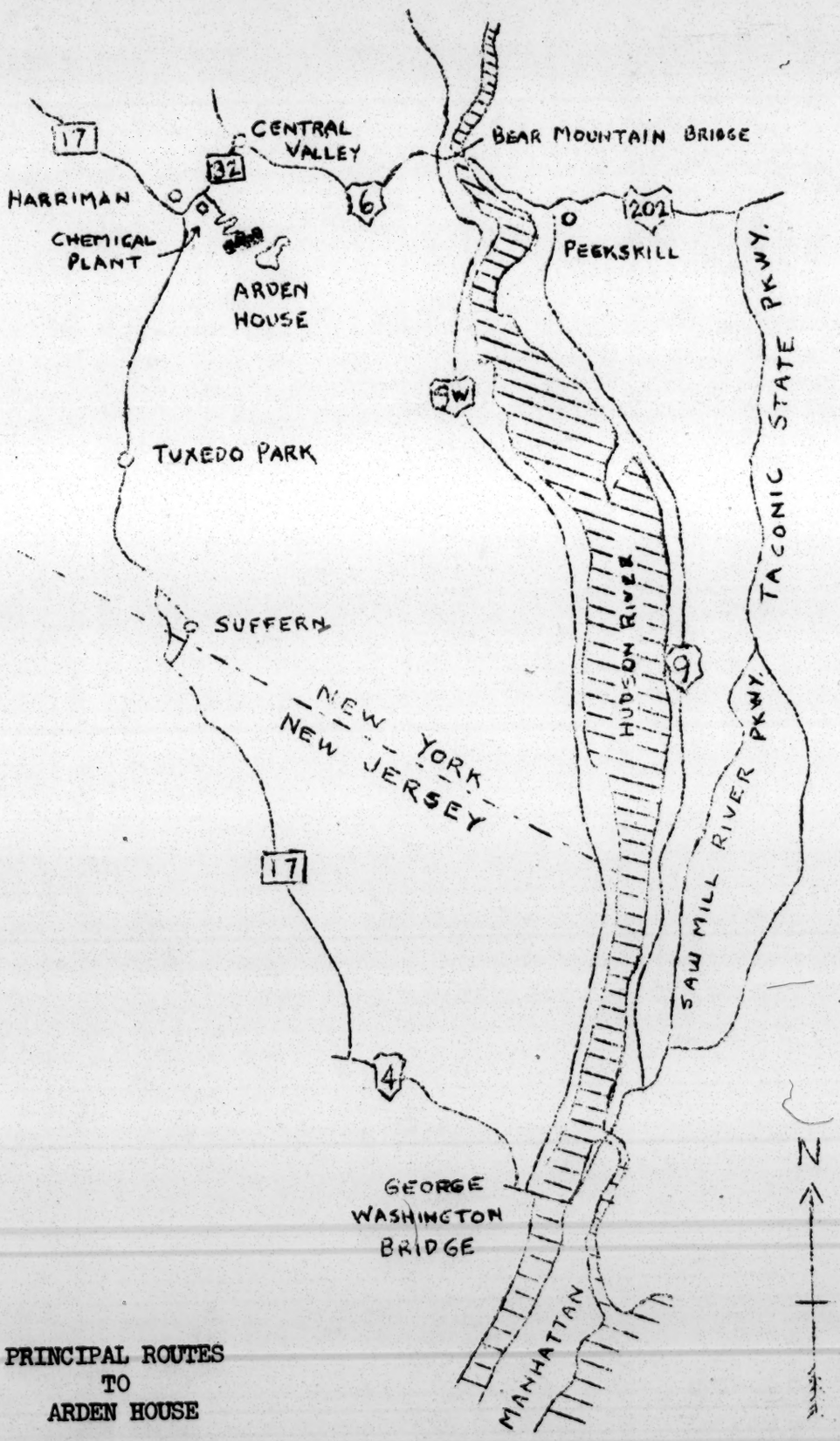
TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH

The telephone number is Tuxedo 4-0367, the address: Arden House, Harriman, New York.

CONCLUSION OF MEETING

The meeting will conclude with luncheon on Saturday, February 16th. Participants will return to New York by motor coach leaving Arden House at 2:30 P. M.

We hope this information will prove sufficient to enable you to make your plans. If you wish more information, please do not hesitate to write further.



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Harriman Campus
Columbia University
Harriman, New York

FEB 6 1952
Southern Regional Council

TO: Participants in American Assembly on Student Deferment, February 14-16, 1952, Harriman Campus, Columbia University

1. I thought that you would be interested to know the agencies and individuals on whom the Research Staff called for assistance in the preparation of the monograph which has been sent you on Facts and Issues of Student Deferment and National Manpower Policy.

2. The following governmental and non-governmental organizations provided substantial assistance to the Research Staff: the National Security Resources Board; the Office of Defense Mobilization; Department of Defense; Department of the Army; the Department of Labor; the Headquarters of the Selective Service System; the National Research Council; the Educational Testing Service; and the Commission on Financing Higher Education.

3. On December 14-15, 1951, there was held at Columbia University a special consultants' meeting "designed to provide fresh information and various viewpoints from experts in the fields of manpower and education concerned with student deferment and related problems." Those who participated were:

Professor Moses Abramovitz, Professor of Economics, Stanford University, Stanford, California

Dr. Henry Chauncey, President, Educational Testing Service, 20 Nassau Street, Princeton, New Jersey

Dr. Ewan Clague, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Washington 25, D. C.

Mr. Robert L. Clark, Director, Manpower Office, National Security Resources Board, Executive Office of the President, Washington, D. C.

Colonel Candler Cobb, Director, New York City Headquarters, Selective Service System, 350 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Mr. John J. Corson, McKinsey and Company, 1625 Eye Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

Colonel Joel D. Griffing, Chief of the Planning Office, National Headquarters, Selective Service System, 1712 G Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

Mr. Carl Huhndorff, Research Director, International Association of Machinists, 9th Street and Mt. Vernon Place, N.W., Washington 1, D. C.

Dr. J. L. McCaskill, National Conference for Mobilization of Education, 1201 Sixteenth Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

Mr. J. Paul Mather, Staff Associate, American Council on Education, 1785 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C.

Dr. John D. Millett, 1860 Broadway, New York 23, N. Y.

Dr. John R. Richards, Office of the Assistant Secretary, Department of the Army, Washington,D. C.

Mr. Stanley R. Ruttenberg, Director, Department of Education and Research, CIO, 718 Jackson Place, N.W., Washington 6, D. C.

Professor H. M. Somers, Consultant to Defense Manpower Administration, Haverford College, Haverford, Pennsylvania

Dr. H. M. Trytten, Director, Office of Scientific Personnel, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Avenue, Washington 25, D. C.

Dr. J. F. Wellemeyer, Staff Adviser on Personnel Studies, American Council of Learned Societies, 1219 Sixteenth Street, N.W., Washington 6, D. C.

Dr. Malcolm Willey, Vice-President, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis 14, Minnesota

4. Despite the substantial assistance which the Research Staff received from the foregoing individuals and organizations, it

should be stated emphatically that responsibility both for facts and interpretation rests with the Research Staff.

Philip Young
Executive Director
American Assembly

Johnson, Chas.

January 30, 1952

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Dr. Johnson:

I want to thank you more at length for naming me as somebody to go up to the meeting on student deferment. I don't know much about the subject, but I will be interested in working with that group of people.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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April 18, 1952

Rev. Patrick Walsh, O. P.
Box 5465
Five Points Station
Columbia, S. C.

Dear Father Walsh:

My very warmest appreciation to you for your own personal kindnesses on the occasion of my visit to Columbia.

Particularly was it good of you and of the others to give so warm a welcome to my friend Mr. Ikoku.

And when yesterday morning I came to pay my bill at the Jefferson Hotel, I found that grace had prevented me!

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Tuesday, April 15

6:00 P.M. Supper

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Rev. Joseph Durick

Wednesday, April 16

8:30 A.M. HOLY MASS—Most Rev. Vincent S. Waters, D.D.

10:00 A.M. STYLE IN PREACHING TO NON-CATHOLICS
Rev. John G. Schultz, C.SS.R. Preachers Institute, Washington, D. C.

12:00 P.M. Lunch

3:00 P.M. THE VALUE AND USE OF MOTION PICTURES
Rev. Joseph Hahn, M.M., Manager of MARYKNOLL publication & Mission Education

4:00 P.M. THE VALUE AND USE OF AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS
Representative of Catholic Visual Education

6:00 P.M. Supper

7:30 P.M. BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Right Reverend Abbot Vincent Taylor, O.S.B.

8:00 P.M. THE FOUR SOUTHS
Mr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director Southern Regional Council, Atlanta, Ga.

9:00 P.M. THE OUTDOOR APOSTOLATE
Most Rev. Vincent S. Waters, D.D.

Thursday, April 17

8:30 A.M. HOLY MASS—Most Rev. John J. Russell, D.D.

10:00 A.M. THE EVIDENCE GUILDS AND OUTDOOR APOSTOLATE
Most Rev. John J. Russell, D.D.

11:00 A.M. Business and Elections

12:30 P.M. Banquet

Who's Who On The Program

Rev. Francis Giri, D.D.

First General Chairman, scholar, missionary and pioneer apostle on Motor Chapels in Alabama. We welcome our first Chairman as our honored Guest of the 1952 Convention.

Most Rev. Vincent S. Waters, D.D.

As apostolic priest, he labored on the St. Mary of the Highways Trailer Chapel of Richmond, Va. With prevision, he saw the need and organized in 1947 the present OUTDOOR APOSTOLATE, a united group of diocesan and religious priests who are interested in perfecting outdoor and apostolic preachings.

Rev. John G. Schultz, C.SS.R.

Noted missionary, military chaplain, retreat master, and for over 15 years a professor of Sacred Eloquence at the Preachers Institute of Catholic University. It is safe to say that over 3,000 priests in the U. S. have benefitted directly by his lectures on Preaching.

Rev. Joseph Hahn, M.M.

Graduate of M.I.T. with B.S. in Aeronautical Engineering, the only priest-member of Institute of Aeronautical Sciences, veteran missionary in China and Bolivia, former professor at Lingnan U. in Canton, China. He is now manager of Maryknoll Publication and Mission Education Department.

Most Rev. John J. Russell

As a priest, he was a pioneer Street Preacher and organizer of the Catholic Evidence Guild of Baltimore. His interest in the OUTDOOR APOSTOLATE was an insistence that the Convention come to South Carolina. He so values the work that he has assigned the 23 diocesan seminarians in shifts of five to assist the Motor Chapel CHRIST THE KING in South Carolina in 1952.

Mr. George S. Mitchell

A true gentleman of the South, student, scholar and lecturer on the people, history and culture of the Southern States. Few men are as gifted with facts, authority, interest and wit, as Mr. Mitchell. He will help us to know our people better.

Right Rev. Vincent Taylor, O.S.B.

A true friend of bishops and priests and always interested in their works. From his years in the fields of our APOSTOLATE, he brings to the convention knowledge and experiences attained through his personal acquaintances of priests of generations in the South.

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April 7, 1952

Rev. Patrick Walsh, O. P.
Outdoor Apostolate
Box 5465
Five Points Station
Columbia, S. C.

Dear Father Walsh:

How very kind that was of you to send on the fifty dollar check. That will give me a luxurious journey to Columbia and back and put money into our coffers besides.

Thank you also for saving me a room at the Jefferson for the night of April 16.

I will be on hand well before 6:30 dinner time at the Blessed Martin Mission the 16th.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. George S. Mitchell,
Executive Director,
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Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Everything is about set for our convention. In accordance with your wishes, we have made reservations for you at the Hotel Jefferson for the evening of April 16th. You may check in there that afternoon.

$ 50.00
K.S.

Please accept this humble offering to cover the expense and inconvenience of your trip. We are very grateful to you for your interest and cooperation. Personally, I was greatly impressed with your talk at the Catholic Committee of the South convention. I feel that more of these priests should know the background, history and culture of the Southern People. I believe most of the 100 priests whom we expect have not heard your talk on the FOUR SOUTHS. It will help all of us to know better the people among we have to work.

Bishop Waters and Bishop Russell will attend. About 30 or 40 priests will come from ten Southern States. Then, we expect a great number of all the local priests of Carolina.

With every best wish, I am,

gratefully,

Patrick Walsh O.P.

(Rev) Patrick Walsh, O.P.

P.S. The Mission where we intend to hold the meals and sessions are at 2229 Hampton St, cor Oak St.

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February 22, 1952

Rev. Patrick Walsh, O. P.
Box 5465
Five Points Station
Columbia, S. C.

Dear Father Walsh:

Carried over from last year's calendar to this year's calendar, April 16 and 17 at your disposal.

No earthly need for anybody to meet me. I will drive over, arriving in mid-afternoon of Wednesday, April 16. But I would be very grateful if somebody would get a room saved for me at one of the hotels for the night of the 16th.

I gladly accept for supper at 6:00 p. m. Wednesday evening, the 16th, at the Blessed Martin Mission, Hampton and Oak Streets.

Sincerely,

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Mr. George S. Mitchell,
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Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Much time has run along since we communicated last September and you accepted to attend the 1952 convention of the OUTDOOR APOSTOLATE.

For the present program, we have you listed for the session of 8:00 P.M. Wednesday, April 16th. In giving you this date at this time, you might be glad to arrange your schedules.

If you will let me know of your arrival, we will have someone meet you. We would be pleased for you to join us for supper that evening at 6:00 P.M. Also, we would like to know about Hotel Reservations? We are making arrangements for rooms for the 15th, 16th and 17th. You may wish to stay in Columbia on other business. We will be happy for you to be our guest.

With every best wish,

gratefully,

Patrick Walsh O.P.

(Rev) Patrick Walsh, O.P.

P.S. We will hold all sessions at the Blessed Martin Mission, Hampton and Oak Sts., including meals.

September 4, 1951

Rev. Patrick Walsh
Box 5465
Five Points Station
Columbia, S. C.

Dear Father Walsh:

I am honored at the invitation to speak at the April, 1952, meeting of the Outdoor Apostolate.

I will save both the 16th and the 17th of April; you take your choice later on.

I recall with the greatest appreciation the last time I had a meal in St. Peter's Hall, when Archbishop Cicognani was present. I assure you I shall not be expecting for supper the viands of that occasion!

With much appreciation.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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August 30, 1951.

Dr. George Mitchell
Southern Regional Council,
Wesley Memorial Building,
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Dear Doctor Mitchell:

We are inviting you to be one of the principal speakers of the 1952 conventionof the OUTDOOR APOSTOLATE. The convention will be held Easter Week in St.Peter's Hall, Columbia, South Carolina April 15th to 18th, 1952.

The Outdoor Apostolate is a group of about 50 priests from eight diocese and eight religious communities who do outdoor preaching during the summer months. These priests get together once a year to exchange ideas and hear a few speakers who can help them. The meeting is held in a different State each year principally to draw in many of the neighboring priests of that State and neighboring States.

I know that your favorite talk on "THE FOUR SOUTHS" will be most welcomed by our group. I heard it at the Catholic Committee of the South convention. Your speech and ability to answer questions on the subject will be a great help to the Priests of the Outdoor Apostolate to better understand the souls among whom they work.

We would be pleased for you to address the group on Tuesday or Wednesday night, April 16th (OR 17th) at 8 P.M., 1952 We would like to have you with us for supper that evening at 6 P.M.

With every best wish, I remain

Sincerely in Christ,

Patrick Walsh O P.

(Rev) Patrick Walsh, O.P., Gen.-Chairman.

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Birmingham, Alabama
Telephone Birmingham ~~3-1376~~ 3-2887

April 23, 1952

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Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Following your telephone call this morning this is to advise that sessions of the Regional Conference of the National Council of Negro Women are to be held at the Eighteenth Street Branch YMCA, 330 18th Street, South, excepting the public meeting Friday night which will be held at Sixteenth Street Baptist Church and the Banquet Saturday night which will be at Smithfield Court.

I understand that we are to work on the same panel so that we shall have to get together when you come over. My new phone is, 3-2887 and my home telephone is 7-1607, in case you wish to call me.

Sincerely yours,

Ruby Hurley

Ruby Hurley
Regional Secretary

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May 5, 1952

Miss Arenia C. Mallory
Saints Industrial & Literary School
Lexington, Miss.

Dear Miss Mallory:

Very many thanks for your kind letter of May 2 and the check.

You know that I had a good time at your meeting. Every one of those people can move mountains.

Do give me more chances to be in association with you and your work.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
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Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

What an inspiration you brought to our Conference!

What a unique manner in which to present an explosive subject!

You were the talk of the Convention!

Of course we were delighted to see and hear Mrs. Tilly a real gentlewoman of the South!

We will encourage our Councils to write in for materials.

By the way, I've always wanted to be on the Board of our S.R.C.

Best wishes always.

Sincerely yours,

Arenia C. Mallory

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(P. S. The Treasurer is mailing a check from Mobile.)

(P. S. S. Check was mailed to me today, enclosing same)

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Attention: Executive Secretary

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

On April 26th from 9:00 A. M. till 4:00 P. M. a Workshop in the areas of Citizenship Education; Human Relations; International Relations and Youth Conservation will be held during the Annual regional meeting of the National Council of Negro Women of Region IV -- (Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Texas) in Birmingham, Alabama.

As a former executive member of the Mississippi Southern Regional Council, and a recent Fellow, I sincerely hope your office will send you, or a representative at headquarters to direct the discussion in the field of Citizenship Education, with emphasis on procedures for accomplishing citizenship goals for people of color in our south. The group discussion will have a chairman, the speaker and interrogators. The topic will be one of mutual agreement.

If it is possible to use your organizations for this opportunity of touching the leadership among women of Color, of our deep south, please inform us at once.

Mrs. Tilly was our guest speaker in Dallas, Texas.

With personal good wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

Arenia C. Mallory

Arenia C. Mallory
Regional Director
National Council of Negro Women
Region IV

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May 12, 1952

Mr. Gordon W. Lovejoy
Box 1123
Greensboro, N. C.

Dear Gordon:

I wish to goodness I could get to either or both of your seminars, but I can't do it unless some way is found to pay for the travel. I don't know where Ritchie dug up the backing for his promise to pay travel for my going down there and back, but he got it from somewhere.

I will put your dates down on a corner of my calendar, and if I reach Memphis any time you are there or Lexington any time you are there, I will stop for a visit and a speech!

We do thank you for letting people know about self-surveys.

Here are remarkable results still following from the Greenville one.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Dr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
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Number 432 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

It never occurred to me until I saw the publicity release from the University of Miami Seminar that you might be interested in visiting other seminars in the Southeast. I am directing one at Memphis State College from June 5 to June 25 and a second at the University of Kentucky from June 30 to August 9. If your travel schedule is such that you will be in either of these places during the time the seminar is in operation, I would be most delighted to have you meet with the groups involved. Unfortunately, I do not have in the budget for either seminar so much as a nickel to cover the expenses of traveling consultants.

I plan on doing as I did last year at Kentucky: devoting considerable time to the consideration of community self-surveys and other activities of the Council.

Sincerely yours,

Gordon

Gordon W. Lovejoy

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May 16, 1952

Dr. George Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue NE
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear George:

I am writing you for the Planning Committee for Emory's Public Affairs Clinic. We hope that you will be able to attend this year's session to be held on June 5, 6, 7. The topic for the informal discussions is "Basic Issues Facing Emory University."

In the past years the groups of alumni and other friends who have participated in these discussions have expressed the feeling that the Clinic is most worthwhile. We would like to have your help in making this year's program significant. Please read the details on the enclosed sheet and drop us a card.

Sincerely,

John A.

John A. Griffin
For the Planning Committee

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Dr. George Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear George:

I have been asked to give a series of three presentations before the summer school of Atlanta University on the general subject, "Human Relations in the South -- 1952."

The second session, to take place on Monday evening, June 23rd, will deal with current, on-going programs. I would be delighted if you could see your way clear to join me in the presentation before the group. Dr. Mozell Hill will serve as moderator.

Kindest personal regards.

Cordially yours,

afm

Alexander F. Miller

afm/bw

CC: Dr. Mozell Hill

Trips

June 18, 1952

Mr. Thomas A. Webster
Urban League of Kansas City
1805 Vine St.
Kansas City 8, Mo.

Dear Mr. Webster:

Many thanks for your letter of June 13.

I would be delighted to take any part you may settle on me for the housing session at the Urban League Annual Conference September 2 in Cleveland. The only hitch is, my Council cannot afford to pay for my trip up there and back.

If you can cover that, I will be delighted to do anything you say.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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June 13, 1952

Mr. George Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I am serving as chairman of a sub-group on housing for the Commission on Community Services for the annual National Urban League Conference this year. Over the years, much discussion has taken place on the question of public housing, and some Leagues have made substantial contribution along this line. At our conference last year, it was concluded that too much emphasis was being placed on public low-rent housing and too little on private construction.

This year, we are discussing the League's role in fact finding, interreting housing needs to key organizations and individuals, and in initiating, cooperating, and planning with other resources for the development of private housing. We are to recommend ways and means by which local Urban Leagues can work with private developers, builders and contractors, banks, mortgage and all other lending institutions for private housing with open occupancy and for facilitating the purchase of homes by those who have the ability to pay without regard to race or color.

Some of the seakers for the housing session on Tuesday, September 2, are: Mrs. Dorothy Rosenman, chairman of the Housing Committee of the National Urban League, James Felt, nationally known realtor and president of the New York Urban League, and Walter H. Aiken, builder and contractor of Atlanta, Georgia.

After the main speakers' talks, there will be panel discussions followed by a question and answer period from the conference participants.

The afternoon meeting will be divided into groups of about sixty persons for workshop sessions with a leader and consultants and resource persons.

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Several persons have suggested that you could make a real contribution to our part in the program, so I wish to invite you to the 1952 Annual Conference of the National Urban League, September 1 - 5 in Cleveland with headquarters at Hotel Hollenden.

Please write me to indicate if we can count on you to attend and serve as one of our consultants, or discussion leaders.

Any materials, suggestions or outlines on how local Leagues can work with builders, financing institutions, and other groups in providing more private housing for Negro families, will be welcomed by our commission. Trusting I will see you in Cleveland in September, I am

Yours sincerely,

Thomas A. Webster, Chairman
Sub-Group on Housing
Commission for Community Services
1952 Annual Urban League Conference

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June 23, 1952

Miss Helen E. Amerman
4901 Ellis Ave.
Chicago 15, Ill.

Dear Helen:

Delighted to do your bidding Monday morning, July 28, at the session on Trends in Race Relations Research.

I filled out one blank and sent it in. If I complete this new blank from you, I fear the presence of two completed blanks would gum up the works. But I arrive at 9:30 July 26, and leave at 2:30, July 30, and I'm not much for double decker beds, but I will if need be. Will stay at Judson Court. Desire the conference luncheon ticket.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Dr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
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Dear Dr. Mitchell:

By now you have undoubtedly received our invitation to the Conference on Research in Race Relations, July 26-30, co-sponsored by the Committee on Education, Training and Research in Race Relations of the University of Chicago and the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials, on the basis of a grant from the Field Foundation.

On behalf of the local steering committee for the Conference, I am writing to invite you to preside at the session on Trends in Race Relations Research, Monday morning, July 28th. Herman H. Long will be presenting a paper, and there will be two discussants representing the research and practioner's points of view, respectively. Following these presentations, the balance of the time will be devoted to general discussion from the floor.

We can offer you an honorarium of $30 for this.

It would be helpful if you could give me your decision as soon as possible so that our arrangements can be concluded well in advance of the meetings. Will you please fill out and return the enclosed form with your acceptance?

Sincerely yours,

Helen E. Amerman

Helen E. Amerman
Co-chairman, Conference Committee

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CONFERENCE ON RESEARCH IN RACE RELATIONS
July 26-30, 1952
University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

I plan to attend the Conference on Research in Race Relations. _____

Please reserve a ticket to the Conference Luncheon, Wednesday, July 30, at 12:30 P.M., at the Quadrangle Club--Price, including tip, $1.65 (Payable at the Conference). _____

Please reserve dormitory accommodations (Room and board at $5.25 per day) for me at Judson Court.* _____

Since the number of single rooms is limited, I (would / would not) be willing to share a double room with double-decker bed.

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I would like to have the following problems or areas discussed at the Conference, either by the appropriate speakers or in general or small group sessions:

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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN PROGRAM

Conference on Research in Race Relations
July 26-30, 1952
University of Chicago

New Schedule for Saturday, July 26:

10:30 AM - Meeting of NAIRO Conference Committee, 108 Social Science Building

1 PM - Conference Registration, Lobby, Social Science Building

1:30 PM - Meeting of race relations officials, 2 Rosenwald Hall

1:30 PM - Meeting of research workers, 122 Social Science Building

3 PM - Joint meeting of research workers and practioners, 122 Social Science Building

The balance of the schedule is as shown on the complete program.

Location of buildings:

Social Science Building, 1126 East 59th Street
Rosenwald Hall, 1101-11 East 58th Street
Quadrangle Club, 1155 East 57th Street

Judson Court 1005 E. 60th St.
5.25 per day.

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UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, TRAINING AND RESEARCH IN RACE RELATIONS
4901 SOUTH ELLIS AVENUE
CHICAGO 15, ILLINOIS

July 14, 1952

Dear Conference Registrant:

Your registration for the Conference on Research in Race Relations, July 26-30, has been received.

Since the general invitations went out there has been a minor change in the Saturday program; you will note from the enclosed revision that the first sessions will not be held until Saturday afternoon.

For those of you who have requested housing accommodations at Judson Court the dormitory authorities have asked that evening arrivals plan to check in before 11 PM, if at all possible. Judson Court is located at 1005 East 60th Street.

We are looking forward to your participation in our Conference.

Sincerely yours,

Helen E. Amerman

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Co-chairman, Conference Committee

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Dear Friend:

The Committee on Education, Training and Research in Race Relations of the University of Chicago and the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials invite you to participate in a Conference on Research in Race Relations to be held at the University of Chicago July 26-30, 1952.

Dr. Louis Wirth had been actively engaged in concluding plans for this Conference at the time of his death. The program which is enclosed is substantially his work. The decision was recently made to go through with the meetings in accordance with his projected plans.

The purpose of the Conference, made possible by a grant from the Field Foundation to NAIRO and the services of the University's Committee, is to assess the present state of race relations research in the light of the practical needs for knowledge and the possibilities and resources for obtaining it. Plans will be developed for more effective cooperation between research workers and policy makers and action agencies. Invitations are being extended to all the people in the country who are believed to be doing significant research in this field, and to the representatives of the operating agencies.

In order to make the discussions helpful to both research and action personnel, you are urged to send the Conference Committee any questions or suggestions as to problems or areas to be discussed. These will be forwarded to the persons who will present papers. There will also be opportunities to discuss these and other matters in small informal groups.

For those who wish accommodations on campus, room and board are available at $5.25 per day at Judson Court, 1005 East 60th Street. Reservations for dormitory accommodations must be received by June 30th.

Please fill out the enclosed form and return it to the Committee in the envelope provided, if you plan to attend.

Sincerely yours,

Harold A. Lett

Harold A. Lett
President, National Association
of Intergroup Relations Officials

Donald T. Campbell

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For the Committee on Education,
Training and Research in
Race Relations

Enclosure

PROGRAM

CONFERENCE ON RESEARCH IN RACE RELATIONS, JULY 26-30, 1952

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SATURDAY, July 26	10:30 a.m. (122 Social Science Bldg.)	Meeting of race relations officials to formulate questions to be addressed to research workers.
	1:30 p.m. (122 Soc. Sci.)	Meeting of research workers.
	3:00 p.m. (122 Soc. Sci.)	Joint meeting of research workers and practitioners.
SUNDAY, July 27	9:00 a.m. (122 Soc. Sci.)	Organization and Administration of Research in Race Relations.
		Dan W. Dodson, Director of Curriculum and Research, Center for Human Relations Studies, School of Education, New York University.
	1:30 p.m. (122 Soc. Sci.)	Research on Race Relations Problems in the Field of Employment and Economic Opportunity.
		Margaret Garrity, Department of Social Action, National Catholic Welfare Conference.
MONDAY, July 28	9:00 a.m. (122 Soc. Sci.)	Trends in Race Relations Research.
		Herman H. Long, Director, Race Relations Department, American Missionary Association, Fisk University.
	1:30 p.m. (122 Soc. Sci.)	Problems and Progress of Research in Housing in its Bearing upon Race Relations.
		Morton Deutsch, Research Center for Human Relations, New York University.

TUESDAY, July 29	9:00 a.m. (2 Rosenwald Bldg.)	Evaluation of Research in Race Relations. William C. Bradbury, Assistant Professor of the Social Sciences, The College, University of Chicago.
	1:30 p.m. (122 Soc. Sci.)	Race Relations Research in the Field of Education. Helen E. Amerman, Committee on Education, Training and Research in Race Relations, University of Chicago.
WEDNESDAY, July 30	9:00 a.m. (122 Soc. Sci.)	Race Relations Research in Public Policy. James M. Nabrit, Jr., Secretary, Howard University.
	12:30 p.m. (Quadrangle Club)	Conference Luncheon - Summary of Conference and Plans for the Future. Robert C. Weaver, Director, Opportunity Fellowships, John Hay Whitney Foundation. A discussion of plans for research and formulation of a general strategy for more effective collaboration among research centers and between research workers and action agencies.

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For further information, please write to Helen E. Amerman, Committee on Education, Training and Research in Race Relations, 4901 South Ellis Avenue, Chicago 15, Illinois.

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QUESTIONS SUBMITTED FOR DISCUSSION AT THE CONFERENCE ON RESEARCH IN RACE RELATIONS

Fred Chusid, Director, Department of Employment, Chicago Commission on Human Relations:

1. Race relations in the work setting--industrial sociology and race relations.
2. Research on integration in industry.
3. Research in the voluntary association and race relations--especially community organizations.

Wilbur B. Brookover, Associate Professor, Social Research Service, Michigan State College:

1. Dynamics of prejudice.
2. Prejudice or intergroup behavior in relation to social role and social situation.
3. Education in the modification of prejudice.

Rebecca Chalmers Barton, Director, Governor's Commission on Human Rights, Wisconsin:

1. Distinction between fact-finding and research--is it necessary in order to be technically accurate?
2. Popularization of research materials for "consumers."
3. Relationship of research to audio-visual aids.
4. The role of research in a dynamic program of public relations.

William C. Bradbury, Assistant Professor of Sociology, The College, University of Chicago:

1. Experience with, and practicability of, close teamwork between genuine social science research (i.e., not mere inventory of practices and resources) and action agencies.

Clarence Senior, Chief, Migration Division, Government of Puerto Rico Department of Labor:

1. The Puerto Rican as the newest of the newcomers to northern industrial cities.
2. Relations between Puerto Ricans and other groups in the lowest income levels.

Morton Deutsch, Assistant Professor, Research Center for Human Relations, New York University:

1. It would be desirable if some of the discussion in each session could be oriented toward (a) identifying the nature of the obstacles to progress; (b) identifying the strategy and tactics of the organized opposition, if any, to progress; and (c) identifying the strategy and tactics for overcoming the obstacles to progress.

John M. Gandy, Research Associate, Welfare Council of Metropolitan Chicago:

1. What changes in racial and/or cultural attitudes occur as the result of individuals having been members of inter-racial or intercultural groups in settlement houses, having attended camps that have campers of various races, religions, nationalities? What are the factors in these situations that make for a lessening of hostility? What are the factors that operate to intensify hostility?
2. Attitudes of Negroes toward using professional services provided by members of their own group, i.e., physicians, dentists, lawyers, social workers, etc.

3. Factor affecting the use of social services i.e., family agencies, homes for the aged, institutional care for children, child welfare services, clinic services, etc., by Japanese-Americans. This is thought of in terms of the organization of the Japanese family and the cultural factors operating in the Japanese family.

4. In institutions i.e., homes for the aged, children's institutions etc., under what conditions has it been possible to have an inter-racial population? Especially in those sectarian institutions where racial groups comprise the membership of the sponsoring religious group?

Olive Diggs, Assistant Director, Illinois Commission on Human Relations:
1. The effect integrated housing has on property values.
2. What techniques are effective in avoiding instances such as Cicero?
3. The experience insurance companies have had with Negro insurees either with regular policy holders or those under the assigned risk program.

Edward Howden, Executive Director, Council for Civic Unity of San Francisco:
1. Limitations and dangers of attitude testing in advance of situation changes, e.g. before non-white family moves into neighborhood or before minority worker is hired... What about before-and-after attitude testing?
2. General opinion polling in re civil rights and minority questions: requisites for validity; impact of the polling act itself.
3. What has been done in the semantics of prejudice and anti-discrimination work?
4. If other operating agency people are like myself, there is a need for one near-the-beginning session in which a panel of top research supervisors summarize scope and approximate status of major fields of research affecting our field. Assume that many of us, regrettably, have not kept up with the Inventory, or even so, that a competent over-view, or progress report isneeded. Compartmentalized researchers, if there be such, might find it good too.

Harry W. Roberts, Head, Department of Sociology, Virginia State College:
1. The use of personal documents in the study of attitudes in race relations research.
2. Frontiers of research or significant areas of needed research in race relations.
3. Differences between race relations and group relations research.

Mrs. George Robinson, LaGrange Fellowship:
1. How to get the dentists of LaGrange to accept Negroes on the same basis as whites?

B. T. McGraw, Deputy Assistant to the Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency:
1. Nonwhite residential dispersion within locality housing supplies after the May 1948 decisions of the U.S. Supreme Court prohibiting judicial enforcement of racial covenants--inventory and analysis of the extent and characteristics, property and neighborhood conditions, acquisition and financing terms, significant approaches and oppositions, and results.
2. Current experience and results in supplying new sales and rental housing to racial minorities for open and for segregated occupancy--with special reference to volume and character of housing supplied in relation

to extent and nature of the effective market demand and experience record with minorities as regards credit risks, property maintenance and tenancy, investment profitability and soundness.

3. Facts and myths about the effects of nonwhite occupancy upon property values--needed documentation and evaluation of traditional allegations.
4. Needed locality studies of evolving experience with slum clearance and urban redevelopment projects--careful documentation and appraisal of facts and factors throughout the process, including conditions in the project area before and after it is cleared and redeveloped, and specifically related to the people involved and what happens to them stage by stage in the evolving process of transformation in the project area.

Leo Shapiro, Director, Department of Education, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith:

1. Research on Intergroup Attitudes in Earliest Grades.
2. Research on Age Level at which Consciousness of Difference First Evidences Itself.
3. Role of PTA in Intergroup Action Program.
4. Collaboration of Faculty and PTA Groups in Human Relations Studies.
5. Research on Influence of High School Fraternities and Sororities in School and Community.
6. Research on Degree of Awareness Among Teachers About the "Essential Facts" of the Community in which They Teach.
7. Effort be made to look into the gowing problem of youth tension.
8. A. Research into the use of audio-visual materials. This might include searches for the answer to these kinds of questions:
   (1) What motivated the teacher to use an audio-visual aid?
   (2) How did she hear about the materials?
   (3) How did she obtain them?
   (4) How long must she plan in advance?
   (5) Is equipment easily available, who runs it?
   (6) What difficulties does she have getting the right materials at the right place at the right time.

   B. Research into the effectiveness of audio-visual materials in human relations. Some of the questions that might be answered in this area are:
   (1) Is there, generally speaking, a particular approach that's most helpful -- i.e., documentary didactic or fact giving expositions or, dramatic narratives, etc?
   (2) How is the material presented -- in what context?
   (3) How effective do you judge it to be? Why?

Actually the question posed in "B" provides 2 possibilities for a research. The first, inquiring into actual practice to the judgment of the practioneers; the second, testing in control situations.

9. An inquiry into the value of "guest speakers" in the classroom.
10. What research findings are available as to the special limitations and capacities of the mass media in the field of intergroup relations? What audience is reached? What effects are achieved? What corrective measures can be taken to increase effectiveness? These questions would apply not only to mass media produced by human relations agencies but also to Hollywood movies, like "No Way Out"; articles in national magazines like Bernstein's "What the Jews Believe" in Life; television programs like "The Goldbergs."

11. Similarly, what is known about the effectiveness of intercultural education programs such as those carried out in schools, or the workshops for teachers, community leaders, police, etc? That is, what is the most effective way of working with various groups?
12. From time to time national opinion surveys have been carried out dealing with intergroup tensions and attitudes toward minority groups. Can we make any inferences as to the general trend of intergroup tensions, or as to some of the social factors underlying an increase or decrease in intergroup tensions?

13. A survey made in 1949 has assessed discriminatory practices in college admissions on the undergraduate level. What do we know about admissions practices with respect to graduate and professional schools?

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QUESTIONS SUBMITTED FOR DISCUSSION AT THE CONFERENCE ON RESEARCH IN RACE RELATIONS

Grace A. Kelly, Secretary-Treasurer, and Corneff R. Taylor, Executive Secretary, Mayor's Commission on Human Rights, Milwaukee:

1. Problems incident to population changes; such as, how to keep white families from "running away."
2. How to integrate the new-comers to the community into the full life of the community with particular emphasis on the role of public and private agencies located in and serving the area, including religious institutions.

Alex Rosen, Associate Study Director, Cornell Field Research Office:

1. Factors in the administrative follow-through of research recommendations on part of agency.
2. How can we make communicable the skills and techniques and insights of the successful practitioner?
3. Can the minority group child be secured in any measure against the negative effects of prejudice and discrimination? If so, how?

Roberta R. Spahn, Assistant Executive Secretary, Research and Statistics, American Nurses Association:

1. How does one collect basic descriptive statistics about minority groups when state FEPC laws and general public education prevent the asking of any question about race in many states? Since many groups have rightfully stated that discriminatory practices result from asking questions of race, the ability to collect this data for any ends is now limited. The ANA would like to know how many Negro Registered Nurses are in the U.S., and we have been unable to collect this data.
2. What techniques can be employed to measure or locate the subtler types of job discrimination such as differentials in job opportunity, placement, job classification, promotion, up-grading, etc.?
3. How do you train non-research people to be sensitive reporters of field conditions for an organization that has endorsed a strong intergroup relations program?

Richard L. Plaut, Executive Vice Chairman, National Scholarship Service and Fund for Negro Students:

1. Existing and potential research on incidence of enrollment in and adjustment to white colleges of Negro students, and Negro colleges of white students, in the Southern states--emphasis on recent history and on the undergraduate level.

Maurice B. Fagan, Jewish Community Relations Council, Philadelphia:

1. We appear to be able to measure both needs and progress in the field of Negro-white relationships but not in inter-religious relationships. As a matter of fact, we rarely deal with Catholic-Protestant relations and almost as rarely deal frankly with Christian-Jewish relationships. We are in fact hard put to tell precisely what the needs are in Christian-Jewish relationships and whether religious relationships are improving as a result of fair practices laws or the so-called interfaith programs conducted by various agencies. I say "so-called" because in my personal judgment there is very little direct approach to the building of inter-religious understanding and relationships. For the most part agencies seem to assume that better religious relationships will result from

better practices and opportunities in employment, housing and education or from generalized appeals and materials. This whole field warrants intensive exploration by the Research Conference in terms of measuring needs, evaluating materials and techniques and evolving or measuring progress.

2. Another major problem in my own mind is how to decentralize our activities so that we can work in neighborhoods with small groups on neighborhood needs. This problem is complicated by the fact that some neighborhoods are completely homogeneous racially and almost so religiously; by the absence of what can properly be called a neighborhood any longer; by the lack of staff and resources properly to service the day-to-day needs of small neighborhood groups, etc. As a result, therefore, most of our activities are concentrated on a handful of leaders and a handful of the larger organizations and for the most part in middle-class economic neighborhoods. We have not learned how to utilize neighborhood leaders and neighborhood groups on all economic levels and to cross neighborhood lines so that homogeneous neighborhoods have some kind of regular communication and contact with other neighborhoods. To meet this is probably the major problem before us as far as organizations are concerned just as housing will probably be the major intergroup problem during the next decade or two.
3. Finally, I personally feel the need and believe that others have the same need for, on the one hand, being kept regularly informed of research findings and preferably by an individual or group able to suggest ways of incorporating the findings into plans and programs of intergroup agencies, and on the other hand, locally developing the skills or utilizing existing skilled persons so that we can do much more community-oriented research than most of us have been able to do in the past. Most of us actually make only the roughest of measurements of community attitudes and needs and tend to rely too greatly on the best judgments of so-called leaders and organizations who in turn are equally hard put to know the actual needs of their groups, organizations and neighborhoods.

Murray A. Lewis, Executive Director, Jewish Personnel Relations Bureau of the Los Angeles Jewish Community Council:
1. Exchange of information as to techniques that have proved successful in the objective of attaining equal employment opportunity.
2. The development of appropriate educational programs designed to bring about a greater acceptance of the principle of equal employment opportunity, and the translation of that acceptance in the personnel operation of business and industry.

Channing M. Briggs, Department of Sociology, George Williams College:
1. Especially interested in possible programs for about-to-be-invaded city areas. What parts can existing social agencies play in the assimilation process--or at least the toleration process?

Wilfred C. Leland, Jr., Executive Director, Minneapolis Fair Employment Practice Commission:
1. Research techniques for evaluating changes in the attitudes of employers, employment agency managers and labor union leaders as a result of their contacts with representatives of fair employment practice commissions. We'd like to find out the extent to which we are really selling the idea of employment on merit.

2. Research techniques for measuring changes in attitudes of fellow workers as a result of working with the members of other racial, religious and nationality groups. We are convinced that the influence is positive, but we note some negative findings and would like further light on this question.

Ralph David Fertig, Research Assistant, Committee on Education, Training and Research in Race Relations, University of Chicago:

1. Non-academic effects of research in race relations and of intergroup relations organizations.
2. Discussion of theories in race relations research and the effects of research techniques.
3. The effects that political discriminations have produced in the fight against racial discriminations.

Herbert Garfinkel, Research Associate, Governmental Research Bureau, Michigan State College:

1. I am particularly interested in the organization of pressure upon political bodies for bettering race relations. How much success have the various groups in this field had in political activities and what are the problems involved? What research efforts are being devoted to analysing such problems?

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SRC - Ex. Dir.

June 24, 1952

Mr. Richard L. Plaut
National Scholarship Service & Fund for
Negro Students
31 W. 110th St.
New York 26, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Plaut:

I just talked to Dr. Mitchell over the phone, and he asked me to let you know that he will definitely be at the meeting July 8 at your office in New York.

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun
Secretary to George S. Mitchell

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Mr. George Mitchell, Executive Director
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Atlanta, Georgia

Dear George:

Could you be here for the day of July 8th? Since writing you, the probabilities of our getting the necessary financial support for the program have materially improved and I am expanding the meeting to include a few other key people whom I think are knowledgeable in this area and whom, I hope, will serve as the nucleus of a permanent advisory committee for this program.

Will you please let me know by return air mail special delivery, if you can make it on the 8th?

As ever,

Dick

Richard L. Plaut
Executive vice-Chairman

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Mr. George Mitchell, Executive Director
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Dear George:

I haven't acknowledged your letter of some weeks ago until now because I was waiting to see how much information we would derive from our study of southern colleges and how successful we would be in getting some funds for this two-way integration project. The answers are that we have accumulated a good deal of information but there is still a good deal missing; we have some of the money and hope to get the rest.

I am very anxious to consult you professionally on various aspects of this program. Are you planning to come North before the first of August? If so, could you arrange to spend a day or two with us, either in New York or, if more convenient, in Washington, D. C., where our Educational Consultant for the South, Dr. Paul F. Lawrence, is located? In either place, I would like to have him in on the conference because he will be doing the field work in the South. If you are not planning to make the trip, I feel that it would be worth our while, if you can afford the time, to defray your expenses in coming here for a couple of days to consult with us. Would this be possible?

I am anxious to hear from you.

Best regards.

As ever,

Dick

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Richard L. Plaut
Executive vice-Chairman

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Nat'l. Scholarship Service

April 16, 1952

Mr. Richard L. Plaut
Nat'l. Scholarship Service
and Fund For Negro Students
31 W. 110th St.
New York 26, N. Y.

Dear Dick:

I have read closely what was said in the chairman's report on the Southern survey and the proposed two-way integration project. I have no criticism and only praise.

I doubt that your service is widely known among white Southern people of student age. Any young Negro student hereabouts who gets his head up to where he is looking for a good education is pretty apt to be told about what you do. But that won't be the case at all with Southern white students.

How can we get your service known among them?

It made a goodish stir a few weeks ago when Talladega took in its first Southern white student. I think you could find a good sprinkling among Southern white students that would do likewise. And each Southern one would help doubly.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. George Mitchell, Executive Director
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Dear George:

I am particularly anxious to have your comments and wisdom in connection with the sections of the enclosed "Chairman's Report" devoted to the "two-way integration project."

As you can see, we did manage, in accordance with your thought last November, to get the survey done at a greatly reduced cost but I am sure there is no way of cutting corners for scholarships to make the "two-way integration project" possible. We either get them or we don't.

Best regards.

Cordially,

Dick

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50-7th St NE

June 25, 1952

MEMO TO GSM:

Odom Fanning called to ask that I give you the followin message:

He would like you to make a speech on SRC (or the Map speech) to the staff meeting of the Regional Office of Federal Security Agency. There will be about 75 people from the health, welfare, and related departments of FSA.

You may chose from the following dates - September 8th
October 6th
November 3rd.

These dates are all on Monday and the time is 9:30 a.m. in the Peachtree-Seventh Building.

Date and acceptance should be confirmed with Odom's secretary and he would like a short biographical sketch for publication. After confirmation Dr. Von der Lehr will send you a letter of confirmation and information about the number and kind of people attending. Odom thinks this is a good opportunity to get SRC before the regional staff members of FSA. Odom is to be out of town until the middle of July and so wanted to get this scheduled as soon as possible.

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Mr. Dan W. Dodson
New Lincoln School
31 Central Park, North
New York, N. Y.

At your service Tuesday July 8th, 10 to 11 a. m.

George S. Mitchell

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July 7, 1952

Rev. V. J. O'Connell, S. M.
2901 S. Carrollton Ave.
New Orleans, La.

Dear Father Vince:

You and everybody else, but you in particular, were courtesy and kindness itself to me. I don't know when I've had a more pleasant three days. The sisters were a joy to talk to at each point. If I had to choose among all the groups for an attentive and interested audience, I would pick the Dominicans.

Do thank the Mother Superior there and at the other convents for me when opportunity presents itself to you.

And I greatly enjoyed the evening with the McCanns. Such people are the salt of this earth.

Cordially and warmly,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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July 7, 1952

Rev. Maurice V. Shean, C. O.
Catholic Committee of the South
Box 895
Rock Hill, S. C.

Dear Father Shean:

The New Orleans trip worked out, I thought, beautifully. Monsignor Bezou had made most careful arrangements, and he and Father Vince and the Sisters were kindness and courtesy itself to me at each point.

I got there on Tuesday morning, the first of July, and talked that afternoon to the Sisters at Mount Carmel. Next morning I met with the CCS summer school, and that afternoon talked to a large gathering of Sisters at Xavier. Wednesday night another group at the other end of the city at Holy Angels Academy, and on Thursday afternoon at Ursuline and Thursday night at Dominican. I give the Sisters the highest marks for attention and interest. And their considerateness of a visiting lecturer was, as always, a delight to experience.

Father Vince took me one evening to the home of his good friends the McCanns, who had so much knowledge and energy in the whole field of interracial betterment in the State.

I have thanked Father Bezou and Father Vince and have asked them to express my appreciation to the Mothers Superior at the various convents.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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June 24, 1952

Very Reverend Monsignor Henry C. Bezou
St. Patrick's Rectory
724 Camp St.
New Orleans, La.

Dear Monsignor Bezou:

Thank you for your air mail special letter to Dr. Mitchell, which just arrived.

Dr. Mitchell is out of town, and will not be back until Friday. But I am sure the schedule you have outlined will be quite agreeable to him. He has set aside June 30 through July 3 to be in New Orleans, at your bidding.

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun
Secretary to George S. Mitchell

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Dr. George Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
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Dear Doctor Mitchell:

Very Reverend Father Maurice Shean, General Chairman of the Catholic Committee of the South, has told me that you are due to be in New Orleans next week to give a series of talks at a number of centers in our city. As for the other speakers sponsored by the C. C. S. this summer, I have arranged for you a tentative schedule which I herewith submit for your approval:

Tuesday, July 1--4:00 P.M.--Mount Carmel Convent
Wednesday, July 2--4:00 P.M.--Xavier University
Wednesday, July 2--7:00 P.M.--Holy Angels Academy
Thursday, July 3--4:00 P.M.--Ursuline Convent
Thursday, July 3--7:15 P.M.--Dominican College

Any adjustments necessary to suit your own plans can be easily made if you will kindly let me know before the end of this week.

I would like also to invite you to address the student body of the Catholic Committee of the South summer school at Holy Name of Jesus Auditorium at 9:00 A.M. either on Tuesday or Wednesday morning. This would be a brief talk, not exceeding fifteen or twenty minutes, since it would be given immediately after the 7:45 A.M. lectures and immediately before the lectures normally scheduled for 9:10 A.M. In other words, the first lectures will end five minutes early and the second five or ten minutes late in order to fit in your talk.

If there is anything which I can do to make your sojourn in New Orleans more pleasant or agreeable, please do not hesitate to call on me.

Very sincerely,

Henry C. Bezou

C. C. S. Summer School Director

cc: Father Shean
Father O'Connell

SCHDULE OF C. C. S.
LECTURES

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Mt. Carmel Convent
420 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
GA. 7041
4:00 P.M., Tuesday

Mother Xavier
Holy Angels Academy
3523 N. Rampart St.
FR. 9475
7:00 P.M., Wednesday

Mother Agatha
Xavier University
Washington and Pine Sts.
AU. 6646
4:00 P.M., Wednesday

Mother Celeste
Ursuline Convent
2635 State St.
UN. 3141
4:00 P.M., Thursday

Mother Dominic
Dominican College
7214 St. Charles Ave.
WA. 3301
7:15 P.M., Thursday

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April 18, 1952

Rev. Maurice V. Shean, C. O.
434 Charlotte Ave.
Rock Hill, S. C.

Dear Father Shean:

All right for New Orleans June 30-July 3. 'Tis on my calendar, and I am at your service.

We will look forward to your coming here May 1, 2, and 3. Do save us some time for a visit at the office.

Cordially,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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April 7, 1952

Very Rev. Maurice V. Shean, C. O.
Box 895
Rock Hill, S. C.

Dear Father Shean:

I would be all in favor of going to New Orleans for the fourth week in June. Unfortunately, I have promised to be in Miami on Monday, June 23, and Tuesday, June 24. If I could do you any good in the course of Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, they are your days.

Hope to see you on the 16th.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Doctor:

You may have heard something about our plans for the reorientation of our summer school. It will be held at Loyola in New Orleans again this year, but next year we hope to open another summer school in Belmont and about this particular summer school I would like to talk with you sometime.

The burden of this letter, however, is to ask you if it would be at all possible for you to come to New Orleans during the 4th week of June to speak, not only to the general student body, but also to approximately 5 or 6 groups of Sisters who are engaged in teaching during the regular school year. I hope to see you in Columbia the week after Easter and I can give you some more information about the subject.

I have received the notes about the meeting and we are definitely planning to be present at the meeting in Birmingham. I hope to get some thoughts off to you in the near future about the whole subject.

Sincerely yours in Christ and St. Philip,

Maurice V. Shean C.O.

Very Reverend Maurice V. Shean, C. O.
General Chairman

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July 14, 1952

Dr. R. A. Vonderlehr
Regional Medical Director
Federal Security Agency
50 Seventh St., NE
Atlanta 5, Ga.

Dear Dr. Vonderlehr:

I am delighted to undertake to be on hand at your office at 9:15 on the morning of September 8 to talk to your staff.

My best talk is called "The Map of the South" and takes about 37 minutes. I will need a blackboard.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Director
The Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

The purpose of this letter is to extend an invitation to you to address the staff of Region VI of the Federal Security Agency on Monday, September 8, 1952, at 9:30 A.M. Our group would like to know more about the Southern Regional Council and its functions. Any topic that you might choose bearing on this subject would be satisfactory with us.

The staff meetings are attended by approximately 50 persons, and are held in the Red Cross Auditorium at 6th and Peachtree Streets, N. E. However, if you will come to my office, Room 148, 50 - Seventh St.,N.E., about 9:15 A.M., I would like to have the opportunity of taking you with me to the auditorium.

I hope it will be possible for you to talk with our group, and if there is anything further that I can do please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

R. A. Vonderlehr

R. A. VONDERLEHR
Regional Medical Director
Chairman, Program Committee

August 11, 1952

Mr. Larry Rogin, Director
Education Department
Textile Workers Union of America
99 University Place
New York 3, N. Y.

Dear Larry:

I will mark on my calendar the period Tuesday, September 9, through the 13th for you, and if you get the crowd and want me, I will be up there.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

If we can't have you for the whole week, we will take you for part of it. We could arrange a schedule easily enough so that some one else could handle the Monday morning session and you teach the remainder of the week. I will write you later about details.

Recruiting is going slowly but I expect we will have a turn-out.

Fraternally yours,

Larry

Larry Rogin, Director
Education Department

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July 31, 1952

Mr. Larry Rogin, Director
Education Department
Textile Workers Union of America
99 University Place
New York 3, N. Y.

Dear Larry:

I could be at Junaluska from the morning of September 9 through the 13th. Unfortunately I have an engagement in Atlanta September 8.

If the 9th through the 13th would be all right let me know and I will be delighted to come.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. George Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear George:

Two years ago you were good enough to spend a week at a TWUA institute talking about the south to our students. We are planning an institute for this year to be held at Lake Junaluska, N. C. during the week of September 7 to 13.

One of the courses I would like to have would be a discussion of the issues of the 1952 campaign as they relate to the problems of the south. I can't think of anyone who can do this job better than you can.

Would it be possible for you to spend the week with us? I don't think the group will be as large as it was two years ago, but I think we will have enough of a group for a good session.

Sincerely,

Larry Rogin

Larry Rogin
Director, Education Department

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September 4, 1952

Mr. Alfred W. Hobart
Thomas Jefferson Conference
Box 667
Charleston, S. C.

Dear Mr. Hobart:

I had a mighty good time at your conference and am extremely glad that the good fortune of going to it came to me. It was a pleasure also to have your warm words for what I had to say. I do hope that the occasional stout disagreements will not cause you or others undue difficulties.

Your check was most generous, and we are extremely grateful for that real help to the Council's budget. And how particularly kind it was of the business session to commend us to the churches and fellowships! I would like to follow that up with whatever you think would be wise in the way of a mailing from us. Or may I expect the various local units to write in to the Council for literature?

Your whole group was a cheerer-upper for me.

Appreciatively,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Alfred W. Hobart
REGIONAL DIRECTOR

September 3, 1952

Dr. George Mitchell,
Southern Regional Council,
63 Auburn Avenue N. E.,
Atlanta 3,
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Dear Dr. Mitchell:

The enclosed check for $100.00 is no gauge of the splendid contribution you made to our meetings at Blue Ridge. The remark I heard most often was to the effect that what you had to say was more pertinent to this particular group than what Dr. Lindeman might have said, and I am inclined to agree. This detracts in no wise from Dr. Lindeman. It merely indicates that you had an especially apt message for us.

I am sorry the honorarium is no larger, and that we must include the $26.00 expense item in the check. You did a magnificent job. I feel sure that many friends were won for S R C. A resolution was passed at the business meeting Sunday morning commending the work of the Council and recommending to Unitarian churches and fellowships that they appoint a member to get word of it to their respective congregations.

Once more, many thanks. Warm greetings and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Alfred W. Hobart

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Mr. Alfred W. Hobart
Unitarian Service Camp
Highlander Folk School
Monteagle, Tenn.

Okay Blue Ridge 27th through September 2, but only with great difficulty 3rd and 4th.

George S. Mitchell

Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave., NE

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Dr. George Mitchell,
Southern Regional Council,
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.,
Atlanta 3,
Georgia.

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

You may possibly remember me as the former chairman of the New Orleans Race Relations Committee. I moved to Charleston, S. C. in August 1950.

I am going to be very nervy and ask a favor of you. The Unitarian Churches in this conference hold an institute at Blue Ridge, N. C. each summer, the dates this year being August 27 to September 4. We had asked Eduard Lindeman to be our theme speaker, and he accepted with the proviso that he would be excused if his health was not good. We took the chance, but now it looks as though he may not be able to make it. If your schedule permits it, would you be willing with this short notice to handle the theme speaking for us? There will be five evening meetings, beginning with August 27. You could speak on liberalism in the South, its accomplishments, progress and possibilities - also its responsibilities. With your experience and background this would not be too difficult. We would not expect you to pinch-hit for Lindeman but to come in your own right.

We are able to offer full expenses, plus a modest honorarium, the amount of which would depend somewhat on our registration fees, but would be at least $75.00.

While five lecture periods are available, we could dispense with the Sunday evening meeting, if it were more convenient for you. There will be ample provision for workshop periods during the day.

Would you mind wiring me collect here at Highlander whether or not you could accept?

Sincerely,

Alfred W. Hobart

Affiliated with the American Unitarian Association

SRC - Ex Dir

September 22, 1952

Mr. W. C. Patton, President
Alabama State Conference, NAACP
729 Masonic Temple Bldg.
1630 Fourth Ave., N.
Birmingham, Ala.

Dear Mr. Patton:

I am terribly sorry that I have been engaged for a long time to be in Washington November 14 and 15 at a meeting of the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials. I am some kind of board member of it, and I have to be up there.

I would rather be with your group in Tuskegee, but I can't.

If you should want Harold Fleming, of my office, I think he could come. He knows more about the police business than I do. He's about thirty, white, Harvard graduate, World War II veteran, and handles newspaper things for the Southern Regional Council. Wrote the pamphlet RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT.

I am grateful for the invitation and deeply wish I could be there.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. George S. Mitchell, Executive
Director, Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

The Committee that is drafting the program of the Seventh Annual Conference of the N.A.A.C.P. Branches has asked me to extend to you an invitation to serve as consultant to a discussion on "Combating Violence and Police Brutality." The valuable information in your possession would mean much to our meeting if imparted to us.

The Conference will convene November 14-16 at the First Baptist Church, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. However this discussion to which you are invited to serve is scheduled for Friday afternoon, November 14 at 1:30 P.M.

I am free to inform you that your expense in rendering us the service will be cared for by our Conference.

May we look forward with great anticipation to having you present with us?

With best wishes, I am

Yours truly,

W. C. Patton

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Southern Director of Organization
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September 30, 1952

Mr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432 - 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear George:

I am delighted beyond words at your acceptance of our invitation to teach the class on The Economic and Social Problems of the South at the forthcoming meeting of the Southern AFL Labor School.

By way of general information concerning the school, I am enclosing a copy of the call which was sent out to the state federations and city central bodies together with a copy of the minutes of the Executive Committee at which our general thinking on the school was outlined.

If there are any pamphlets or other materials which you think we should have in connection with your class please advise me and we will take steps to secure them.

I will send you a copy of the complete program as soon as I have compiled it.

I am making reservation for you at the Lakeland Terrace Hotel for arrival on Sunday afternoon October 12.

With best personal good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Stanton

Stanton E. Smith
Secretary-Treasurer

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SOUTHERN AFL LABOR SCHOOL

Operated by the Fourteen Southern State Federations of Labor

August 22. 1952

Special Call

To ALL STATE FEDERATIONS OF LABOR
and
ALL CENTRAL LABOR UNIONS
in the
Fourteen Southern States of **Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee and Kentucky;**

Fraternal Greetings:

Notice is hereby given of the First Meeting of the

Southern AFL Labor School

To be held at the

Place **Lakeland Terrace Hotel, Lakeland, Florida**

Dates **October 12 to 17, 1952**

Purposes The purposes of the School are:

(1) To provide information and training for officers of State Federations and Central Labor Unions so that they may make those organizations more effective instruments for the promotion of the cause of organized labor.

(2) To work out plans for establishment of programs of workers' education in the various states and cities so that the members of our unions will understand the functions of the unions and be able to contribute more to the building of a sound and strong Trade Union movement in the South.

Sponsorship The Southern AFL Labor School is operated by a Board of Control consisting of the Presidents and Secretaries of the Fourteen Southern State Federations of Labor. It has been officially endorsed by twelve of the State Federations.

Brother J. L. Rhodes, Southern Director of Organization of the AFL, and Brother John D. Connors, Director of the Worker's Education Bureau of the AFL, are the official AFL Consultants.

Registration Registrations of Delegates will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 12. The School will adjourn at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 17.

Meals The first meal will be served Sunday evening, October 12, at 6:00 p.m. All meals through the noon meal on Friday, October 17, will be served in the Hotel dining room and are included in the cost of the School.

Housing Delegates will be housed in the Lakeland Terrace Hotel. Those wishing to bring wives or families must so designate in advance so that suitable accommodations can be reserved. Other delegates will be asked to room two to a room. Twin beds will be furnished in all cases. Each room has private bath.

Basis of Representation Each State Federation of Labor will be allowed three delegates.
Each Central Labor Union having less than 25 affiliates will be allowed one delegate.
Each Central Labor Union having 25 or more affiliates will be allowed two delegates.

Credentials All delegates must be duly credentialed by the body represented. A letter under seal of the organization will be sufficient. Please give name, address, and union affiliation of each delegate.

Board, Room and Tuition All Credentials must be accompanied by check in full for Board, Room and Tuition which amounts to $50.00 per delegate. Checks should be made payable to: **Southern AFL Labor School.**

Communications Address all communications to the Secretary-Treasurer at 540 Vine Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Fraternally yours,

Edward H. Weyler
President

Stanton E. Smith
Secretary-Treasurer

MINUTES

Executive Committee Meeting

SOUTHERN AFL LABOR SCHOOL

March 8 and 9, 1952

The Executive Committee elected by the Presidents and Secretaries of the Southern State Federations of Labor for the purpose of carrying out the objectives set forth in the report of the Committee on Education which was adopted at the Memphis Conference of February 9 and 10, 1952, met in the Andrew Jackson Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee on March 8 and 9, 1952, pursuant to call of Brother J. L. Rhodes, Southern Director of Organization.

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 A.M. on March 8 by the President, Edward H. Weyler (Secretary-Treasurer of the Kentucky Federation of Labor).

All members of the Committee were present except Brother E. H. Williams (President of the Louisiana Federation of Labor), who was represented by Brother E. J. Bourg (Secretary-Treasurer of the Louisiana Federation of Labor). The other Committee members present, in addition to President Weyler, were as follows: W. L. Hines (President of Mississippi Federation of Labor), Dean Baugh (Secretary-Treasurer of the Oklahoma Federation of Labor), and Stanton E. Smith (President of the Tennessee Federation of Labor).

Also present as official AFL Advisors were Brother John D. Connors, Director of the Workers' Education Bureau (AFL) and Brother J. L. Rhodes, Southern Director of Organization (AFL).

Following preliminary discussions the following decisions and agreements were reached relative to the operation of a Southern Labor School during 1952:

1. That the school should run for five days beginning about 1:00 P.M. on Sunday and ending about 4:00 P.M. on the following Friday.

2. That the school should be held about the third week in August if suitable arrangements can be made for that time.

3. That the following possible sites would be investigated by the person indicated: Pressmen's Home, Tennessee, (Rhodes); Junaluska, North Carolina (Rhodes); University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee, (Smith); University of Oklahoma (Baugh).

4. That attendants at school would be duly credentialed representatives of State Federations and City Central Bodies and Southern Staff Organizers as designated by the Southern office.

5. That each of the 14 State Federations would be entitled to send three representatives.

6. That Central Bodies having 25 or more affiliates would be entitled to send two representatives.

7. That Central Bodies having less than 25 affiliates would be entitled to send one representative.

8. That the number of staff organizers would be left to discretion of the Southern office in accordance with situation existing at time of holding the school.

9. That we would work toward an overall school of about 100 persons.

10. That we would ask each of the 14 State Federations to contribute $100.00 to finance the initial expenses of promoting and running the school and that the request for such funds be sent out by Brother Rhodes on Southern AFL office letterheads with copy of Minutes enclosed and money to be sent to Smith at Chattanooga.

11. That we would add administrative charges of approximately $10.00 to the amount required for Board and Room per person in attendance at the school.

12. That Secretary be authorized to have letterheads printed, 1000 on bond and 1000 on mimeo.

13. That Hines be elected Vice President of School.

14. That the daily program of the school should consist of 4 periods of 1¼ hours each, two in the morning and two in the afternoon, followed by a recreational period and a general program in evening.

15. That the four classes would be on the following subjects:

    I Problems of Establishing Educational Programs in State Federations and City Central Bodies.

    II Functions of State Federations and City Central Bodies.

    III History of the Labor Movement.

    IV Economic and Social Problems of the South.

16. That the following daily schedule be used subject to later modification as needed:

7:15 - 8:15	Breakfast
8:30 - 9:45	1st Class
10:00 - 11:15	2nd Class
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch
1:15 - 2:30	3rd Class
2:45 - 4:00	4th Class
4:00 - 6:30	Recreation
6:30 - 7:30	Supper
8:00 -	Evening Program

17. That registration should be held from 1:00 P.M. to 6:00 PM on Sunday with supper at 6:00 P.M. and an evening program of general interest to start the program.

18. That visitors who "drop in" would pay for any meals and room furnished.

19. That the school would pay board and room for invited guests.

20. That Connors would screen all applications for displays(and the like) from outside agencies and that he would be guided by the Policy that such must be germane to the program of the school.

21. That we would ask following persons to teach classes as set out in item 15 above - person in parentheses is responsible for extending invitation.

I Arthur Elder or John Connors (Connors)

II Lew Rhodes

III Mark Starr (Connors)
or Lewis Corey (Connors)
or Dr. Silver, University of Mississippi

IV Dr. Fred Holly (Smith)
or Dr. Paul Young
or Dr. Quigley, Georgia Tech
or Dr. Silver, University of Mississippi
or Broadus Mitchell
or Boris Shiskin

22. That President and Secretary would confer with Connors on second choice in case first choice in any above cannot serve.

23. That we would pay Faculty $100.00 plus board, room, and travel expenses.

24. That Brother Bourg would ask Brother J. E. McCarthy of Louisiana Federation to aid in handling publicity at school and that Brother Rhodes would contact Phil Pearl regarding same.

25. That we ask Brother Rhodes for services of Brother Maynard Baird in connection with photographs, movies, recording equipment, etc.

26. That we would promote singing of labor songs and request Connors to supply music.

27. That evening program run from Sunday through Thursday with following suggested topics, speakers and person responsible for inviting speaker:

International Affairs - Meany or Delaney (Connors)
Operation of Labor Laws - Paul Barker (Bourg)
Metal Trades Councils and their Use for Industrial Organization - Gritta (Connors)
Political Action - McDevitt (Connors)
Relation of Religion to Labor - Panel of Priest, Preacher, Rabbi and Labor Representative (Weyler)

28. That Weyler should draft a resolution to present to various State Federations for possible adoption, endorsing and supporting this school, resolution draft to be submitted to Committee before sending out.

29. That all arrangements and other matters should be channeled through Weyler for coordination.

30. That President and Secretary would draft Prospectus and call to go out to State Federations and City Central Bodies including statement of background, objectives, etc.

31. That full payment of board, room and tuition must accompany credentials.

32. That all members of Committee would send copies of letters written regarding school to all other Committee members and to Brother Rhodes and Brother Connors so that all can be kept informed.

33. That Secretary be designated as Treasurer and directed to set up books and open bank account in name of the School.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ STANTON E. SMITH

Secretary-Treasurer

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TENNESSEE VALLEY UNITARIAN CHURCH

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1800 West Clinch Ave.

RICHARD HENRY, Minister
Little Switzerland Road

October 4, 1952.

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Southern Regional Council

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

You are indeed generous on such short notice to consent to speak to the members and friends of this church next Friday, October 10. As per your request, I have reserved a room for you at the Andrew Johnson for Thursday night, telling them I thought you would arrive between 5 and 6 p.m. I trust that's about right? Mrs. Moulder has written you about their hope that you might eat with some of the Fellowship House group Thursday before you speak. If this does not work out, there are a dozen other people waiting to spirit you away for dinner. Mrs. Moulder's telephone (unlisted) is 5-4734. I suggest that you call her or me (5-8955, res; 2-1066, bus.) when you arrive, and we shall have things straightened out by then!

Enclosed is a hastily-drawn flyer,-gotten up in about a half-hour, and hence containing considerable errors,-which we have sent out to our mailing-list and several other groups in town. I trust it doesn't meet with entire disapproval from you!

One further request: may we suggest you bring a number of "the little green books" with you when you come? I have a feeling they'd sell like hot-cakes! We can use a little more intelligent press treatment of Negroes, although the NEWS-SENTINEL has tried, a little.

We're looking forward with keen anticipation to having you with us next week.

Very sincerely yours,

Richard Henry

Rev. Richard Henry

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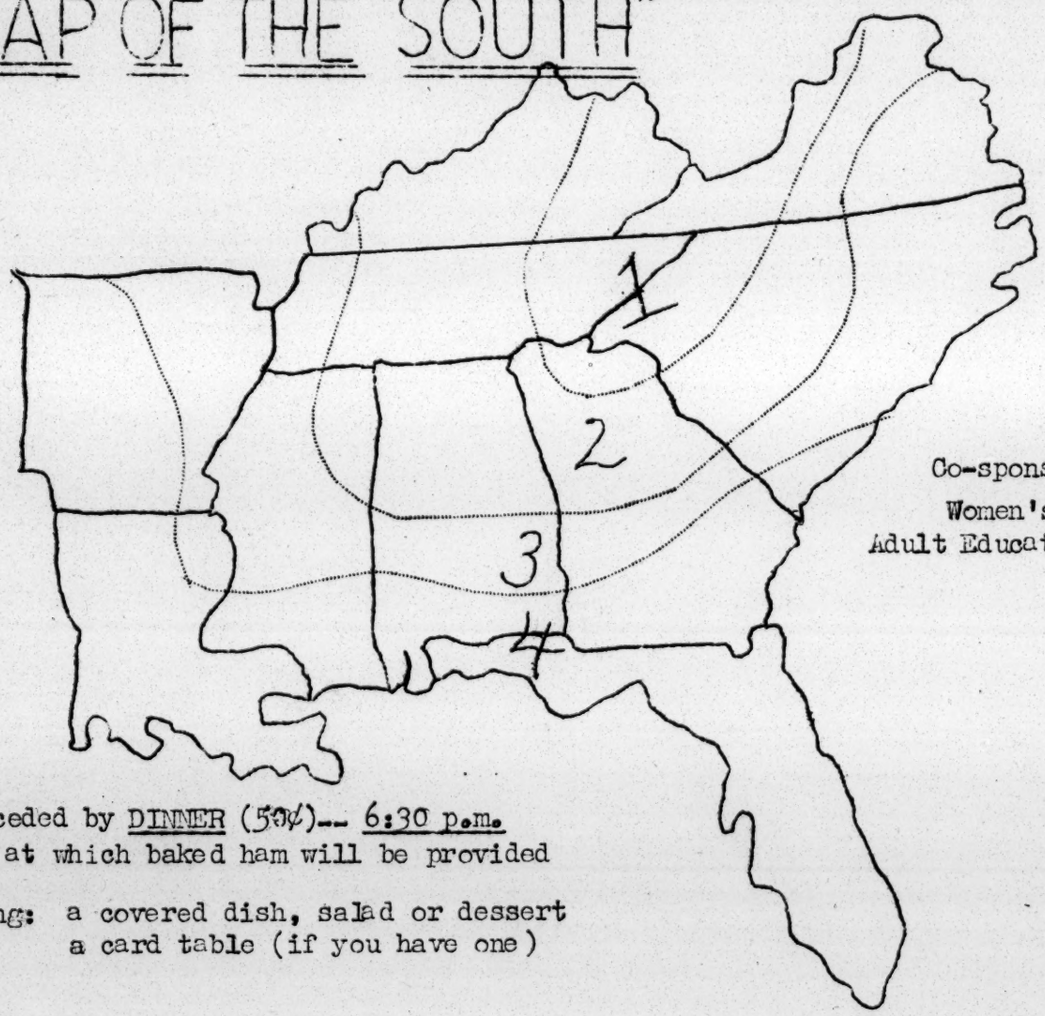

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Bring: a covered dish, salad or dessert
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DR. GEORGE S. MITCHELL:
born Richmond, Va., 1902; B.A., Univ. of Richmond; Rhodes Scholar at Oxford; Instr. in Economics, Columbia U., 1929-35; spec. asst., Office of Secy. of Interior; dir. labor relations, Resettlement Admin., '35; asst. admin., Farm Security Admin., 1939-43; U.S. Foreign Econ. Admin., 1943-44; S.E. Regl. Dir., CIO political action comm., 1944-5; since 1947, Exec. Dir., Southern Regional Council.

Author, member Am. Econ. Assoc.; Am. Soc. Pub. Admin.; Phi Beta Kappa, Kappa Alpha, etc.

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Dr. Mitchell will speak before Fellowship House, 8 p.m., Oct. 9, St. John's Epis. Ch. in the first of their series of meetings on "Community X-Ray." Public invited.

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UNITS FOR UNITY

" A Community X-Ray "

Panel led examinations of human relations in the growing South.

October 9th. George S. Mitchell, Director, Southern Regional Council.

October 16th. Dr. W. B. Jones, Save The Children Federation and a panel of foreign students.

October 23rd. Arthur Levin, Anti-Defamation League, Southern Region.

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" The Lifting Quarantine "

George S. Mitchell
Director
Southern Regional Council

PANEL

Frank Alexander,
Regional Studies, TVA
F. Woods Beckman,
for Fellowship House

Presiding
Carl A. Cowan

For the past quarter century the understanding between white and Negro peoples in the Southern states has been strengthened. Glacially slow as this advance may seem on day to day measurement, had we been gifted in 1927 to see what steps toward full citizenship for the Negro would be achieved today, we would have considered the speed of progress almost breath-taking.

These gains did not take place just by chance. People of good will of both races have brought them about by working together toward definite goals. Mr. Mitchell for the Southern region, Mr. Alexander for the Tennessee Valley region, and Mr. Beckman, for Knoxville, will map the past history of our cause and chart for us a future course.

A COMMUNITY X-RAY CLINIC

" Consultation and Diagnosis "

Romae Cormier,
Canada
Yaw Vanfeh Turkson,
Gold Coast, West Africa
Ibraham Menoufi,
Cairo, Egypt

LEADER

William B. Jones,
National officer
Save the Children
Federation.

Presiding
Mrs. William Coleman

The question most frequently asked-(and the one most difficult to answer)-of Americans in foreign lands today is the one about the fact of racial discrimination in our country. Nearly 700 guests from abroad come to view the Tennessee Valley Authority and the Agricultural Extension Service at University of Tennessee. Have you ever wondered what facts they must take home with them to support the Communist claim that Americans do not mean to implement their pledge of "liberty and justice for all"?

The student panel will present Knoxville as it seems to them and give diagnostic ideas for a healthier climate for the human spirit.

A COMMUNITY X-RAY CLINIC

"Preventive Medicine "

Arthur Levin,
Director
Southern Area ADL
of B'Nai B'Rith

PANEL

James P. Pope,
Community Leader
Mrs. Kenneth Kennedy
for Fellowship House

Presiding
Miss Helen Tobe

There is a line of poetry that reads like this - "I ran into a Prejudice, which quite obscured the view". Children run into the man-built high walls of Prejudice and may have their views obscured for a lifetime.

B'Nai B'Rith is one of the oldest organizations in this country working to bring down these walls through the processes of research and education. Mr. Levin will tell of their work in the South and how this Jewish organization makes common cause with all minority groups. Mr. Pope will speak to the program of other inter-cultural agencies in Knoxville and Mrs. Kennedy will review the program of Fellowship House of Knoxville, for children.

THE FELLOWSHIP HOUSE STORY

Fellowship House of Knoxville is a non-profit organization chartered in May, 1950, by the State of Tennessee. It welcomes into membership men and women of all religious and ethnic backgrounds, who believe that by joining together in common purpose they may provide a greater maturity for themselves and create for the community as a whole an island of understanding of the problems of all groups of people.

The Knoxville Fellowship House is affiliated with fourteen other volunteer groups in an autonomous Federation of Fellowship Houses. The first of these "Houses" is in Philadelphia.

The "Units for Unity" project, as offered in this folder, is an annual presentation of Fellowship House of Knoxville. These evenings of free discussion provide our community an educational yardstick to see how we measure up, human-relation wise, to that respect for the individual inherent in the Constitution of the United States, and in the Judio-Christian precepts in our American culture. It is planned to present a second series of three "Units" again in the spring.

Other projects, reaching children as well as adults are included in the year around program of Fellowship House. If your are interested in knowing more about Fellowship House, or in becoming a member, write the Corresponding Secretary, Box 725, Knoxville.

All the members of Fellowship House wish to thank St. Johns' Episcopal Church for extending us the courtesy of their new Parish Hall, for this series.

ERC - Ex. Dir.

October 23, 1952

Mrs. W. J. Moulder
Fellowship House of Knoxville
3100 Orlando St.
Knoxville, Tenn.

Dear Mrs. Moulder:

Many thanks for your nice letter of October 11. I am sorry that the Knoxville visit gave me so little opportunity to talk with you. But I had a good time, and it was a real delight to meet your friends.

The Unitarian Church covered the hotel bill completely. I am most grateful also for the Fellowship House check for twenty dollars, which more than covered my travel expenses.

Welcome as a new member.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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October 11, 1952
3100 Orlando St.
Knoxville, Tenn.

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Southern Regional Council

Dear Mr. Mitchell,

I can't say that I got much good out of your visit!...but maybe I can make up for lost time at Nashville. Please keep us posted as to date, because there will probably be several who will want to come.

Bill heard you Friday night, and he says to tell you HE isn't going to go back to a family type farm. Seriously, though, he got a great deal out of the talk, although as an economist he should have known some of this Map stuff. However, they leave out people of economic courses, I guess.

Everyone is delighted with your Thursday evening. I was pleased to see so many people that I did not know when I came in. We are deeply appreciative of the time you gave us.

I hope you understood that the Unitarian Church was responsible for your hotel charge. If they did not pay it, or re-imburse you, please let me know.

You will find enclosed a check for 3.00 which is our membership in the SRC. I thought the subscription to the New South got me into membership. K.S.

In friendship,

Mrs. W. J. Moulder

Mrs. W. J. Moulder
Corresponding Secretary
Fellowship House, Inc.

Membership entered
stencil ordered
receipt sent.
10/17/52
K.S.

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October 3, 1952

Mrs. W. J. Moulder
Fellowship House of Knoxville
3100 Orlando St.
Knoxville, Tenn.

Dear Mrs. Moulder:

I will take the L&N train, arriving at Knoxville 1:35 p. m. Thursday, October 9. I guess what I ride homewards is the 4:30 a.m. on Saturday the 11th!

Dr. Henry, at my request, was supposed to get me a room saved at the Andrew Johnson for the nights of the 9th and 10th, though if the phrasing of your letter means that I am to stay at a private home, that is all right, of course.

I always try to make it a practice to be in touch with the college people when I am out traveling. If you would, therefore, be kind enough to telephone Professor Bill Cole, in the Sociology Department at U. T., and anyone you choose at Knoxville College, I will be grateful. One or both may want me to talk to a class in sociology or economics. My schedule is in your and Dr. Henry's hands, however.

I will come prepared to talk Thursday night about the Council, as you suggest. Don't know whether I fit very neatly "Lifting the Quarantine," but will try.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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October 2, 1952
3100 Orlando St.
Knoxville, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I am apologetic about being so late in writing you, but the complications with the Unitarians set it, so this took a day or two longer before all became clear! Needless to say, we are delighted that you will stay over, and have plans to use you up to exhaustion.

The October 9th meeting begins at 8:00 p. m., at St. Johns' Episcopal Church Parish Hall. This will open our Units for Unity series for the fall. We have decided to have three meeting-programs in the fall, and another series in the spring, since we are running into the elections.

The over-all topic on the series is "A Community X-Ray Clinic" described as a Public program series of panel led discussions of human relations in the growing south.

We would like to have you present at length the work of the SRC, the over-all picture of changes that are taking place, a presentation, if you can, of what other groups are doing, to give us some thoughts on other activities we might present. The topics have been chosen along medical lines....the first for your evening is " Lifting the Quarantine". We hope this does not seem too coy.

Frank Alexander, in Regional Studies, TVA, has been asked to state briefly human relations in the Valley area, and F. Woods Beckman, of our group, will tell about what we are doing. This will be brief and probably addressed to you, to stimulate some questions.

The Unitarian Church is making itself responsible for your hospitality here, and we for your transportation. Please let us know when and how you expect to come, so we can meet you with our best band.

With many thanks,

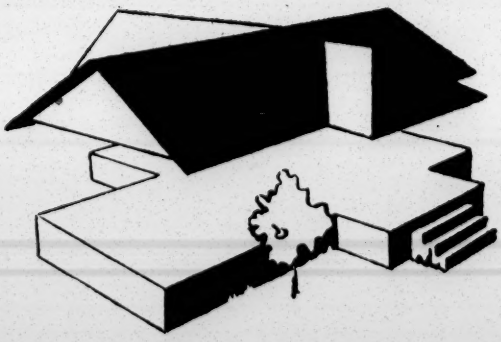
Mrs. W. J. Moulder

Mrs. W. J. Moulder
Corresponding Secretary
Fellowship House of Knoxville, Inc.

PS. If it is possible for you, we hope to have a dinner at one members house to get together on the program.

PS2. We would like to have meetings set for Friday with you for the several projects we have going to get in a session.

WELCOME TO FELLOWSHIP HOUSE



A HOUSE WITHOUT WALLS

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November 7, 1952

Mrs. Paul W. Penningroth
St. Petersburg Council on Human Relations
St. Petersburg, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Penningroth:

Many thanks for your letter of November 5. My plan is to leave Atlanta the evening of November 19 by train, arriving at St. Petersburg at 10:30 on the morning of November 20.

Nobody need meet me. I will get independently to the First Presbyterian Education Building before 2:30 that afternoon.

By present plans, I will leave St. Petersburg on the plane at 1:05 p. m. Friday afternoon, November 21.

Here is a mat and a summary of the talk.

The program looks fine and effective.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Using a blackboard and colored chalk, Dr. Mitchell traced the historical development of the Southern economy, showing as the four main sub-regions the mountains, the Piedmont, the coastal plains, and the piney woods.

For each of these areas he described the fundamental institutions of land ownership and wealth production and stressed the means available for improving economic opportunity for all. He then drew in the State lines and described the political effects of the economic geography laid out before.

At the conclusion, he described the interaction of economic and political forces on the problems incident to obtaining civil rights in reality for all the people of the South.

November 12, 1952

Mr. Phil S. Ogilvie
Catholic Committee of the South
Box 895
Rock Hill, S. C.

Dear Mr. Ogilvie:

Dr. Mitchell and Harold Fleming are both out of town, so I am answering your letters of November 10.

Here is a copy of what Who's Who says about Dr. Mitchell.

Katherine Stoney tells me that the CCS paid for Race and Law Enforcement October 21.

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun
Secretary to George S. Mitchell

Encl.

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ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA

November 11, 1952

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Doctor:

I have received your note, and I am very happy that you can come.

Might I suggest that you make an effort to be at our doorstep somewhere between 5:30 and 5:45, then you will be in time to have diner with us. We shall, of course, make arrangements for you to spend the night. We are looking forward to your visit.

Sincerely yours in Christ and St. Philip,

Maurice V. Shean, C.S.C.
General Chairman

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Dr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, northeast
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

Just a note to say that I will be with you in Nashville on November 17. I am looking forward to seeing you then. In the meanwhile, if there is anything special that you want me to bring to that meeting, please let me know.

Between now and the 17th, will you please check to see whether or not C.C.S. has paid for the 500 copies of "Race and Law Enforcement" which you mailed out to us on September 23. There is some sort of mix-up on this end, and I believe the fault is mine. If we have not yet paid, I will see that the check gets to you before December 1.

Cordially,

Phil

Philip S. Ogilvie
Executive Secretary, C.C.S.

November 7, 1952

Rev. Maurice V. Shean, C. O.
Box 895
Rock Hill, S. C.

Dear Father Shean:

I wrote you less formally the other day that I would be on hand by six o'clock on November 24 at Rock Hill.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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The Catholic Committee of the South

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November 3, 1952

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Doctor:

This confirms my telegram of today, specifying the date, November 24, as the date, which we feel would be most suitable for our Groups here. I trust, too, it will be suitable for you.

We plan to invite other people to attend your Lecture, other than our own people, and will, of course, have some publicity in the local paper about your lecture. The Meeting will be at 7:30 on the evening of the 24th. Depending on the response to our publicity, the meeting will be held either here at The Oratory Meeting Hall, or in the City Recreational Center at Confederate Park.

We are looking forward with pleasure to your visit, and I hope, too, by that time, to show you some very definite results on our plans to carry on our survey during this next Summer. You will be interested to know that Father Victor has agreed to come to Rock Hill for a period of six or seven, and we are now trying to establish the necessary laison in the Community to take care of the situation.

With every best personal wish,

Sincerely yours in Christ and St. Philip,

Maurice V. Shean c.o.

General Chairman

MVS:e

October 27, 1952

Rev. Maurice V. Shean, C. O.
Catholic Committee of the South
Box 895
Rock Hill, S. C.

Dear Father Shean:

This confirms my telephone conversation with Phil Ogilvie this morning, saying that my Arkansas plans are now complete, and I am at your disposal for any date between November 23 and December 1. I hope we can match up somewhere in that period.

I look forward with much pleasure to the visit to you and Phil and to your Rock Hill friends.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

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October 23, 1952

Rev. Maurice V. Shean, C. O.
Catholic Committee of the South
Box 895
Rock Hill, S. C.

Dear Father Shean:

Many thanks for your letter of October 14.

I can promise to come over for a meeting of your Men's and Women's Groups, but until later I can't finally set the date. I have a commitment to go to a meeting of the Arkansas Division, and the date of that meeting will not be actually set until the Arkansas Executive Committee meets tdday. As soon as I hear from them, I will write you as to what dates in late November and early December are free.

All I can say is that I will get there sometime in your specified period, but I won't know when until tomorrow.

You said you would see me on the 4th of November. Does that mean you are going to be in Atlanta? The Executive Committee of SRC has postponed the annual meeting of the Council until February 10 and 11, 1953. If there is another occasion for your being here or for my being where you will be, I am glad.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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The Catholic Committee of the South

REV. MAURICE V. SHEAN, C. O.

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Doctor:

Mr. Philip Ogilvie will attend the Nashville meeting.

I would like very much to come myself, but unfortunately, have a speaking engagement in Louisiana during that week.

Another matter: Our local Men's and Women's Church groups are making a special study this year of their relations to the Community under the general title, "A Catholic and his Community."

We would like to establish a Lecture Series, in connection with this study. The lecture would be sponsored by our groups, and advertised as open to the Public.

We would like to start the series in late November or early December.

From every point of view, we think you would be the logical person to begin the Series. Will you? And if so, what dates in late November, or early December, would be acceptable?

I plan to see you on the 4th of November.

Sincerely yours in Christ and St. Philip,

Maurice V. Shean
General Chairman

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eleven pryor street, s. w.
atlanta, ga.

dear Dr. George Mitchell.

I think you will be interested in the marked paragraph of the memo I received to-day from Oil Balkin in our main office.

Best regards

alex miller

RC - Gen. Div.

Anti-Defamation League
330 Seybold Bldg., Miami, Fla.

Oscar Cohen

Gilbert J. Balkin

November 24, 1952

Third Annual Community Workshop on Human Relations
St. Petersburg Council on Human Relations, St. Petersburg, Florida

I attended and participated in the Third Annual Community Workshop on Human Relations, sponsored by the St. Petersburg Council on Human Relations, held in St. Petersburg on November 20 and 21. Copy of the program of this comprehensive Workshop is attached.

I shipped and set up an exhibit of our materials for the Workshop, and several new contacts were made as a result of the interest displayed therein.

As in former years, this Workshop, held at the First Presbyterian Church, was completely unsegregated. One of the aspects of these St. Petersburg Workshops which has always impressed me has been the total absence of any color line consciousness on the part of any persons attending. Negro community leaders in St. Petersburg attended and participated in all sessions, including the final luncheon.

As a highlight of the program, I demonstrated our film "The High Wall". An excellent discussion followed. We were fortunate in obtaining for the discussion leadership, Dr. Paul Penningroth of St. Petersburg, who is a professional Psychologist and head of the St. Petersburg Child Guidance Clinic. His wife, Mrs. Persis Penningroth is a former President of the St. Petersburg Council on Human Relations, and she was in active charge of the program for this year's Workshop.

Undoubtedly, one of the outstanding highlights of the Workshop was the Chalk Talk on the South given by Dr. George Mitchell at the evening session on November 20. As usual, George made a terrific impression with his well prepared and "homey" presentation of his subject matter covering economic and race relations in the South.

As usual, the St. Petersburg press cooperated with the Workshop and afforded it fine publicity.

A wholesome evaluation session was held during the final luncheon of the discussion leaders.

A number of constructive suggestions came forth for organizing the program of the Workshop next year. I emphasized the importance of discussing specific local problems of discrimination and tension and bringing forth recommendations for corrective social and community action.

The holding of this Annual Community Workshop in St. Petersburg is another reflection of the continued program in advancing democratic group relations being made in that community in which we have concentrated so much time and effort over the past seven years.

GJB/rsg
Encl.
cc: Lester Waldman
Alex Miller
Arthur Levin
Ted Freedman
Bernard Isaac

GJB

Third Annual

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP ON HUMAN RELATIONS

The St. Petersburg Council on Human Relations in cooperation with Pinellas Schools, United Churches, Ministerial Association, and community organizations.

SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1952

2:15-5:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian Education Building
332 Third Street North

8:00-9:30 p.m.

Mirror Lake Jr. High School Auditorium
709 Mirror Lake Drive

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1952

10:00-12:00 a.m.

First Presbyterian Education Building

REGISTRATION AND EXHIBIT OF DISPLAYS—

1:30—2:15

First Presbyterian Education Building

1. FIRST SESSION:

2:15 p.m.

Theme: "How Wo We Get Along in Schools, Religious Groups and Community Organizations?"

Chairman: Mrs. Paul W. Penningroth,
Principal, Country Day School

Invocation: Dr. J. W. Hamilton, Pasadena Community Church.

Greetings: Dr. Alton W. Glasure, First Presbyterian Church.
Floyd T. Christian, County Superintendent of Instruction.
Michael M. Bennett, President St. Petersburg Junior College.

Response: Paul H. Roney, President St. Petersburg Council on Human Relations.

Panel Discussion:

Moderator: Rabbi David Zielonka, Professor of Religion, University of Tampa.

Miss Alice MacVicar, former Dade County Supervisor of Secondary Education.

Mrs. Frank Vincent, President, Interlock

George Crill, Pres. Intercivic Club Council.

Paul Bauder, Pin. Co. Supervisor Physical Education.

John W. Rembert, Principal Gibbs Senior High School.

Frederick B. Routh, Assistant Professor Human Relations University of Miami.

3:30 p.m. DISCUSION GROUPS

Schools (a) Secondary & College ---------- Miss MacVicar
(b) Elementary ---------- Paul Bauder

Community Organizations ---------- Fred Routh

Interfaith ---------- Rabbi Zielonka

4:15 p.m. SUMMARIES—Assembly Hall

Findings of the above Discussion Groups will be given by representative of each group respectively.

5:00 p.m. ADJOURNMENT

II. SECOND SESSION:

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20,

Mirror Lake Junior High School Auditorium

8:00 p.m.

Theme: "What Are Our Soundings?"

Chairman: Mr. Warren H. Pierce, Associate Editor, St. Petersburg *Times.*

Invocation: Msgr. Mullins, St. Paul's Catholic Church.

Greetings: Honorable Samuel G. Johnson, Mayor of St. Petersburg

Remarks: Speaker, Bethune-Cookman College, Daytona Beach.

COMMUNITY SINGING (*Audience Standing*)
Led by: Rabbi Morris Chapman
Accompanied by: Miss Olive B. McLin

AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL

A beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties, Above the fruited plain,
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.
O beautiful for pilgrim feet whose stern impassioned stress
A thorough-fare for freedom beat across the wilderness.
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control, Thy liberty in law.

Address: *"MAP OF THE SOUTH AND NEXT STEPS"*

Dr. George Mitchell, Director Southern Regional Council, Atlanta, Georgia.

Benediction: Rev. Phox Thurman, Bethel Baptist Church.

III. THIRD SESSION:

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1952—10:00 to 12:00 a.m.

First Presbyterian Education Building

10:00 a.m.

Theme: "Tools For Building A Better Community"

Chairman: Miss Mary Newell Eaton, Pres. Friends of the Library.

Invocation: Rabbi Morris Chapman, Congregation B'Nai Israel

Greetings: Mrs. H. M. Weenick, State PTA Chm. World Citizenship.

Demonstrations Audio-visual Aids for schools, churches, P.T.A., and civic clubs.

Leaders: Miss Alice MacVicar, National Council of Christians and Jews; Gilbert J. Balkin, Regional Director Anti-Defamation League of B'Nai Brith, Miami; Dr. Paul W. Penningroth, Consultant Psychologist, Director Pinellas County Child Guidance Clinic.

Songs: Human Relations, Elementary, High Schools and adults.

Rumor Clinic, Tape recordings, Radio, Television, Record playing and Intergroup education.

11:00 a.m. MOVIE: *"The High Wall"* (28-min.)

This film presents what power prejudice and bigotry have to qualify conduct and how they are transmitted by parents and teachers. So well cast, acted and directed is the film that the whole story is plausible. It was produced under joint sponsorship of A.D.L. the Illinois State Education Dept. and Mental Health Association.

Discussion of film—with the help of the above qualified specialists.

12:00 a.m. ADJOURNMENT.

IV. FOURTH AND FINAL SESSION:

12:15 to 1:30 Luncheon Session for Leaders and Committee members First Presbyterian Church Dining Room.

Chairman: Paul H. Roney, Attorney, President, Council on Human Relations.

Theme: *"Evaluation and Prognosis"*

Please turn in an evaluation sheet to be found at the rear after each session.

Projection of movies_____Courtesy American Red Cross

Ushering_____Courtesy High School and College students

STEERING COMMITTEE OF WORKSHOP

Mrs. Paul W. Penningroth, Principal Country Day School

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Mr. James Bond, County Supervisor of Negro Schools.

Mr. E. G. Deane, Life Underwriter, Member of City Council.

Dr. J. Wallace Hamilton, Pasadena Community Church.

Rev. Ernest T. Marble, United Liberal Church.

Mr. Warren H. Pierce, Associate Editor, St. Petersburg Times.

Mr. Paul H. Roney, Att'y. Pres. Council on Human Relations.

Mr. Frank Widere, President Rotary Club.

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FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY
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THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR

50 Seventh Street, N. E.
Atlanta 5, Georgia
December 2, 1952

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I speak for the entire Junior Staff of the Federal Security Regional Office when I say Thank You! for your wonderful talk to us on November 18.

It was geography, history, economics and civics, all correlated into one comprehensive lesson, with the Golden Rule in all its mathematical magic held up for view. It was a new kind of presentation for us and was met with much enthusiasm.

As Federal Security employees, we are a part of many programs for human welfare and your talk made clearer to us our duties and opportunities. I, personally, want to "stand up and be counted" as part of the organized effort to build our South into a truer part of democratic and Christian America. Enclosed is $3 (three dollars) for membership in the Southern Regional Council. KG.

Sincerely,

Margaret E. Leventhal

(Mrs.) Margaret E. Leventhal
Recording Secretary
Junior Staff Conference Committee

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TUESDAY

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That's the date you have a date!
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JUNIOR STAFF MEETING
FSA REGION VI
AUDITORIUM, ATLANTA CHAPTER
RED CROSS
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 9:30 A.M.

(Details below)

Could you draw a map of the South? You probably could approximate one, but do you know how the map of the South came to be shaped the way it is, how the people of the South came to be what they are?

Dr. George S. Mitchell, a Southerner with wide Government and social welfare experience, will give an entertaining, instructive talk on that subject. Dr. Mitchell has just returned from Washington, where he spoke on the same topic before a large audience.

He holds the Ph. D. degree from the Johns Hopkins University. For three years he was a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University, England. Then he taught economics at Columbia University, co-authored two books on the South, and held a number of important positions in Government. He is now Executive Director of the Southern Regional Council. This will be a repeat performance for the FSA staff, and those who have asked if they might come to hear Dr. Mitchell again are especially invited.

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December 2, 1952

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Many thanks for your note of December 1. Mrs. Mattair will be very happy to have you communicate with her as soon as you reach Jacksonville. She may be reached at the District Welfare Board office; telephone, 3-1251, of the State Department of Public Welfare, 2137 Liberty Street. She is the Diredtor of this office.

I am sending a copy of your note directly to her.

Good wishes for a successful meeting.

Cordially yours,

Constance Rudd

(Mrs) Constance P. Rudd
Executive Secretary

CPR:ls
cc: Mrs. Pansy Mattair

The Palm Beach plans had to be abandoned because of meeting conflicts — which I very much regret —

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December 1, 1952

Mrs. Constance P. Rudd
Florida Conference of Social Welfare
Box 629
St. Petersburg 1, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Rudd:

I've never heard any more directly from Mrs. Mattair about the meeting I am to appear at in Jacksonville December 4. You last wrote me November 5 that they had tentatively scheduled it for the education building of St. John's Cathedral.

I will arrive in Jacksonville around 3:00 p. m. December 4, and will try to get in touch with Mrs. Mattair.

If there's any hitch, let me know.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

December 1, 1952

MEMO RE TRAVEL TO PALM BEACH

Vera Walker paid for the Southern Railway ticket Atlanta-West Palm Beach.

Rail fare	$27.68
Pullman fare	12.77
Total	$40.45

Abortive reservation was Roomette 9, car 701, on the 10:20 p. m. train December 4 from Atlanta.

MEMO TO GSM

December 1, 1952

In Jacksonville the one in charge is Mrs. Pansy Mattair, address unknown. Meeting tentatively scheduled Education Building, St. John's Cathedral, downtown Jacksonville. Hour not known.

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Dr. George Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I have just received a long distance telephone call from Mrs. Mattair, our Regional Chairman from Jacksonville, who has been away from her office and therefore did not receive my letter asking for appropriate dates for your appearance in Jacksonville.

We find that the date of December 4 is better than the November date and I believe this will fit more neatly into your plans since this was your first suggestion. Mrs. Mattair had been afraid of conflict with another meeting scheduled for December 4, but this meeting has since been cancelled. Jacksonville is hoping to have a good audience for you and wants to proceed with its publicity right away. They have tentatively scheduled your appearance for the Education Building of St. Johns Cathedral, which is in downtown Jacksonville and will permit a sizable audience.

Mrs. Mattair tells me that everyone is enthusiastic about your coming so we do hope you can make this date. Please let me know by wire collect so that I can give Mrs. Mattair final word on this while she is in St. Petersburg on Friday, November 7.

Our best wishes to you.

Cordially yours,

Constance P. Rudd

(Mrs) Constance P. Rudd
Executive Secretary

Called Wire Nov 6 '52 Rudd: Dec 4 + wind up all Dec 4 JX (Sam Dec. 4)

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Thank you very much for your letter of October 21. I am writing today to our Regional Chairman in Jacksonville to find out which of the dates - Wednesday, November 19, or Friday, November 21 - would be the better to attract a sizable audience. I will let you know just as soon as I hear from Mrs. Mattair.

We are still talking about the wonderful evening we had with you in St. Petersburg. Everyone who was there has lamented the fact that the audience was so small, but I am sure you have never talked to a more appreciative group. When you return to St. Petersburg things will be different. Thank you again for coming to us and for your most generous willingness to address meetings for us in Jacksonville and Palm Beach. I will write you further about both of these meetings and will let you know as quickly as possible about the Jacksonville dates so that you may plan accordingly.

Sincerely,

Constance P. Rudd

(Mrs) Constance P. Rudd
Executive Secretary

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October 21, 1952

Mrs. Constance P. Rudd
Florida Conference of Social Welfare
Box 629
St. Petersburg 1, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Rudd:

I have written Mrs. Rivkind that I will definitely be in St. Petersburg the evening of Thursday, November 20, and I hope, for much of that day.

Technically, it would be possible for me to be in Jacksonville Wednesday, November 19. I will have been away from the office a long time, and it's hard to do, but I could get there. Preferably, for the evening only. If your people in Jacksonville want me for the 19th, let me know, and I will come.

If need be, I could be in Jacksonville Friday, November 21.

You were all very kind the other evening in St. Petersburg when I pushed so hard—impolitely hard—to find some more SRC members. But they were a nice crowd, and I enjoyed them. And the dinner was a particularly delightful occasion.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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October 20, 1952

Mrs. H. C. Rivkind
3245 20th Ave., S.
St. Petersburg, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Rivkind:

I am free to be in St. Petersburg on November 20.

Write me when and where. I will look forward to another meeting with your many friends.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
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63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
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Dear Dr. Mitchell:

You have no idea howhappy I am that I am at last to have the opportunity of hearing you give your famous "Map of the South" address. There is nothing like having a staff and Committee chairman who recognize opportunities when they see them and seize every chance to give our Conference members the benefit of "the good things". We certainly look forward to having you in St. Petersburg on October 16.

Upon my return from New York yesterday I stopped in Jacksonville and told some of our organization's people there about your planned appearance next Thursday. They expressed disappointment for not having you in Jacksonville and this note is to ask if there is a possibility that you might stop in Jacksonville on your return to Atlanta after your other Florida responsibilities are completed. Although there is not much time for publicity, the Jacksonville people feel that they could get a very receptive audience if you can arrange this. Please let me know by telegram collect if it is at all possible. If so, what date could you give them and what hour would be most convenient? Because we are pushed pretty hard financially, I would need to know the approximate cost of this detour in order to know whether we could meet it. You have been most kind and generous with our Conference and I regret that I must mention these unfortunate financial matters. I do look forward to meeting you.

Cordially yours,

Constance P. Rudd
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(Mrs) Constance P. Rudd
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October 9, 1952

Mrs. H. C. Rivkind
3245 20th Ave., S.
St. Petersburg, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Rivkind:

I am unable as yet to commit myself to being in St. Petersburg November 20.

I have told my people in Arkansas I would hold the period November 20, 21, and 22 for them--they to pick which day they want me. I will hear about that pretty soon but won't be back in the office to settle it until October 20.

Chances are I can be in St. Petersburg, but there are chances against it.

Put me down tentatively, or change to some other date, as suits you.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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October 6, 1952

Miss Ruth Unland
Florida Conference of Social Welfare
Box 629
St. Petersburg 1, Fla.

Dear Miss Unland:

Many thanks for working out the meeting. I will be on hand at the council room in the city hall in St. Petersburg for the evening of October 16. When should I get there?

Here is a mat and dope sheet.

My one best speech is the map speech. Title: "The Map of the South."

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Margaret Cavanaugh told us of your very nice offer to talk with us in St. Petersburg during your visit to Lakeland. We not only have accepted your offer but have taken the liberty of going ahead and engaging the Council room in the City Hall for you to talk with us the night of October 16.

In order that we may give you proper publicity, we would appreciate your sending us a picture of yourself and any other additional information that might be of interest which you did not give us at the time you talked to the Florida Conference of Social Welfare in Miami.

When discussing this with Mrs. Cavanaugh, we could not decide on what subject we should ask you to talk. Everyone spoke so favorably of your talk in Miami, we thought that would be appropriate to give in St. Petersburg, but we would like to have you suggest what you would prefer to talk about. Please let us know so that we may include this in the publicity.

If possible, we would appreciate your sending this information to us air mail.

Sincerely,

Ruth Unland

(Miss) Ruth Unland
Co-Chairman, Program Committee

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December 8, 1952

Professor Haskell M. Miller
Department of Sociology
University of Chattanooga
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Miller:

I'll be delighted to come up for Wednesday, December 17. Driving up there to be in time for the 9:25 class would mean getting up at 5 a. x. that morning, which I don't favor. So suppose I come merely for the 1:00 class.

If all right with you, I will arrive at your office at 11:45 Wednesday, December 17, and we can have some lunch together and get ready for the 1:00 class.

The best thing for me to do is that map speech.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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December 4, 1952

Director George S. Mitchell,
Southern Regional Council,
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

If there is any possibility of your coming to Chattanooga between now and December 19 or between Jan. 5 and Jan. 23, 1953, I should like very much to have you speak to my sociology classes. The class on RACE RELATIONS meets at 1 PM on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and the class studying PRINCIPLES OF SOCIOLOGY meets at 9:25 AM on those same days. We especially need you in the RACE RELATIONS class and would like to have you in the other also, if possible. There are approximately 30 students in each class.

I know you are very busy and will not hold it against you if you have to say "no" to this invitation, but will appreciate it very much if you can come. I regret, too, that I have no funds out of which to offer to pay your expenses.

If it is possible for you to be with us, please notify me what day (Monday, Wednesday, or Friday) to expect you and whether or not to plan to use you in both classes.

You would, of course, be entirely free to determine the subjects of your talks -- just whatever you feel most needs to be said to students. (The talk you gave to the Board of the Council of Community Forces last year in Chattanooga was excellent.)

In the hope that you may be able to accept this invitation, I am

Cordially yours,

Haskell M. Miller

Haskell M. Miller, Head

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Secretary
Southern Regional Council
Room 432, 63 Auburn Ave. NE
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Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Your "one speech" was just as good as I had heard it it is! Or it may have been a mite better. We enjoyed it no end, and which is more important --- I think a few of us will remember it when there may be some crucial times, ahead. I heard a great many comments on your talk: not only on how interesting it was, but on the picturesque language you used, the skill with which you brought out your points, and on the very clear and graphic nature of of it.

We were sorry that the strike ended, and you could go home on the early flight; for selfishly, we wanted more. But I am sure your family was pleased to have you home again -- if only briefly.

Thank you a million for coming. I do hope you will be able to come back again some time to give us more.

Sincerely yours,

Vera Walker

Vera W. Walker

P.S. We drove home, and stopped to take a look at the old hotel in Titusville. Guess what --- it's been "fixed up"! It still has the serrated roofline, but I'll bet they charge $3.00 for a room, now!

MEMO TO GSM RE TRIP TO ~~ST. PETERSBURG~~ W. Palm Beach December 1, 1952

Miss Walker sent me tickets as follows: EAL, West Palm Beach-Atlanta, $41.69; Southern Railway and FEC, Atlanta-Palm Beach, $27.68; Roomette, $12.77.

For the down trip I purchased other accomodations, as follows: EAL, Atlanta-Jacksonville, amount unknown; Florida East Coast, Jacksonville-West Palm Beach, $9.49.

EAL, in order to give me the advantage of the round trip rate, took up the ticket originally supplied me by Miss Walker for the flight West Palm Beach-Atlanta and sold me a ticket Atlanta-Jacksonville for the down leg and West Palm Beach-Atlanta for the return leg, for a total price of $61.70.

The Southern Railway returned to me in cash December 1 the price of the roomette, $12.77. The Southern Railway will send me its check for the (not being used) first class rail journey Atlanta-West Palm Beach, in the sum of $27.68.

The trip ~~xxx~~ as ticketed by Miss Walker came to $40.45 rail and pullman fare, plus $41.69 plane fare, or a total of $82.14. The trip as ticketed December 1 by me came to a total of $61.70 plane fare, plus $9.49 rail fare, or a total of $71.19. The journey as it will actually be performed, therefore, costs in fares $10.95 less than the sum ~~xxxxxxxx~~ expended for tickets by Miss Walker. (Incidentally, the Southern Railway's check for $27.68, when received, will be payable to GSM personally.) In making my final expense account to Miss Walker, I should have in mind that the sum of $10.95 is already a credit to her. Plus my hotel and meals expenses are due against that sum ($10.95).

In review: The total she spent was $82.14. The amount ~~xx~~ which I am using is $71.19, leaving an excess of $10.95 due her.

I will charge my expenses, in addition to rail and plane, against this $10.95.

December 1, 1952

Miss Vera W. Walker
1705 Seminole Rd.
Jacksonville 5, Fla.

Dear Miss Walker:

Very many thanks for the special and registered letter that arrived in good time yesterday with all the tickets.

You were most considerate to book me straight on through, first class roomette and all!' The actual circumstances are that I have to be in Jacksonville the evening of December 4 to make a talk to the Jacksonville chapter of the Florida Conference of Social Welfare (Mrs. Pansy Mattair, arranged through Mrs. Constance Rudd of St. Petersburg), which is why I had that complicated plane travel on the afternoon of the 4th. All my error about the body of the letter, which certainly did say ACL-FEC. So what I have done is to go to the Southern Railway here and cancel the roomette and turn in the first class rail ticket, Atlanta-West Palm Beach, for refund to me. I have purchased the tickets anew: Atlanta-Jacksonville by air, Jacksonville-West Palm Beach by FEC coach, and West Palm Beach-Atlanta by air. The total cost of that is $71.19, as against a total spent by you of $82.14. Thus, I am in your debt in the sum of $10.95, a portion of which will be nibbled away in meals, tips, etc., for the journey.

To run the accounts another way, I spent, myself, for the tickets $29.50, and I have received or will receive in refunds for the old tickets $40.45. This sum is $10.95 in excess of what I put out.

All the tickets are in my pocket except a seat reservation for the FEC train, and that has been wired for.

So I will arrive, as before, 3:01 p. m. Friday, December 5, at West Palm Beach.

I will keep an eye open on the down journey for Miss Grace Bulman.

Cordially,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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1705 Seminole Road
Jacksonville 5, Florida
November 28, 1952

Mr. George S. Mitchell
906 Lullwater Road N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Enclosed are two tickets:

1. Southern-F.EC. from Atlanta to West Palm Beach, leaving Atlanta at 10:20 PM Thursday night, the 4th, and arriving in West Palm Beach Friday afternoon at 3:01. The A.C. L. train turned out not to be the best train, since you would have had to change in Jacksonville Friday morning; so I took the liberty of getting a Southern reservation, instead. The office here says that your space in roomette 9, car 701 has been confirmed from Atlanta.

2. E.A.L. ticket from West Palm Beach to Atlanta on Saturday morning, December 6th, leaving West Palm at 8:15. You will have to change in Jacksonville, but there is only a brief stop here. This reservation has also been confirmed, but would you please re-confirm it as soon as you reach West Palm Beach.

It seemes to me that your second page did not quite agree with the first page; so I have gone by the suggestions in the body of the letter on the first page. I do hope this is satisfactory and that you will have a pleasant trip.

Miss Grace Bulman, Chief, Dietetic Division, of the Veterans Administration, is coming down from Washington on an F.E.C. train Friday, too. She is the official representative from the American Dietetic Association, for our meeting. You just might happen to meet her on the train or at the station, and have a chance to get a bit acquainted along the way.

Sincerely,

Vera Walker

Vera W. Walker

Please let us know what you spend for meals, tips, etc.

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

We are certainly delighted that you will be able to be with us for the joint meeting of the Home Economics and Dietetic Associations!

Yes, Martha Horne had told me, with a twinkle, that "he says he has only one speech" but from all the accounts I heard of your "one speech", it was undoubtedly THE SPEECH of the meeting of the Conference of Social Welfare last fall. I have no doubt that we shall be equally well pleased ----- and helped ---- by your presentation.

I am referring your letter to Dr. Helen Cate at Florida State University, who is our Program Chairman. I am sure she will let you know, soon, about program arrangements, and that she will keep your preference in mind.

Again may I say, we are delighted.

Very sincerely yours,

Vera Walker

Vera W. Walker, President
Florida Dietetic Association

cc: Cate

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September 22, 1952

Miss Vera W. Walker, President
Florida Dietetic Association
1705 Seminole Rd.
Jacksonville 5, Fla.

Dear Miss Walker:

How very kind of you to invite me to speak to the meeting of the Dietetic Association and the Home Economics Association! Delighted, of course. And most glad to do it for expenses only.

I haven't got but one basic speech, which Martha Horne can tell you about, but I can try to embellish it some in the directions of dietetics and home economics.

I would have a minor preference for the Friday night as against the Saturday--enlarging my all-too-scarce week-ends at home. But fit it into your program as seems best for either the 5th or the 6th, and let me know in due time.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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1705 Seminole Road
Jacksonville 5, Florida
September 16, 1952

Mr. George S. Mitchell
906 Lullwater Road, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

The Florida Dietetic Association and the Florida Home Economics Association are meeting jointly in Palm Beach the first week-end in December. We should like very much to have you speak to the combined group on a topic related to the economics of the South. Of course the dietitians would be most interested in the aspects more closely related to food and nutrition, but the home economists should be interested also in clothing and housing, and all of us are concerned with health.

We should like to offer you a sizable honorarium, but unfortunately we can offer only your expenses, including air transportation if you wish it.

We do hope that you will be able to come. I, personally, am very eager to meet you, having heard so much about "the Mitchells" from our mutual friend, Mrs. Isabelle Marraine. Martha Horne, too, has talked about you a great deal, and feels that you are largely responsible for her good reputation as a program chairman!

Dr. Helen D. Cate, Head of the Department of Nutrition at Florida State University in Tallahassee, is Program Chairman for the Dietetic Association, and will let you know the exact time of the session at which we should like to have you speak, but it will probably be either Friday night, the 5th, or Saturday, the 6th. If you have a preference, please let us know.

Very sincerely yours,

Vera Walker

Vera W. Walker, President
Florida Dietetic Association

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

March 7, 1952

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council was held in the offices of the Southern Regional Council, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, at 10:00 a. m. Friday, March 7, 1952. Dr. Charles S. Johnson, chairman of the Executive Committee, presided. Father V. J. O'Connell gave the invocation.

The following members were present:

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Rev. V. J. O'Connell
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie
Mr. Marion A. Wright
Dr. Harry V. Richardson
Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Mr. Alfred Mynders
Mr. John A. Griffin (lunch only)

The following staff members were present:

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Miss Katherine Stoney
Miss Emily Calhoun
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Miss Adella Shields
Miss Anna Holden

On motion, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Race and Law Enforcement

The Executive Director reviewed the success thus far of the campaign to get RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT into the hands of local action people. The pamphlet has been very widely bought by educational and religious organizations. Probably the most promising outlet thus far is the Woman's Societies of Christian Service of the Methodist Church, which, through Mrs. Tilly's work, have undertaken to get church women in every county in thirteen Southern States, plus Missouri, to carry the pamphlet to the sheriff. Other substantial undertakings were through the Catholic Committee of the South (1,000 copies) and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith (667 copies) and the Georgia Teachers and Education Association (500 copies).

Ways of Reducing Violence and Lawlessness in the South

At the Council's offices on February 22 a meeting had been held of a variety of agencies interested in reducing violence and lawlessness in the South. The group had concentrated on two corrective measures: improved housing and better law enforcement. A second meeting is planned for May, 1952, probably in Birmingham, and reports of special sub-committees will be available for that gathering. The Council, meanwhile, has undertaken to prepare and distribute a simple directory of Southern agencies interested in this field.

Self-Surveys

On survey matters, the Executive Director had lately visited Shreveport, Louisiana, where an excellent interracial survey of the needs of the Negro community is far along toward completion. The Council had lately heard also of an undertaking by Jackson County, Florida, to do a rural self-survey.

Financial Possibilities

In two New York trips made since the last meeting of the Executive Committee, the executive director had visited a variety of foundations, two of which have already made contributions to the Council. Other prospects were described.

Work Ahead

On work ahead, the executive director stressed the desirability of a pamphlet on fair employment practices, discussed the tasks involved in preparing local communities for changes in the segregated school pattern, the possibility of offering a training course in human relations, and described the present status of the proposed Commission on Equal Penalties in Southern Courts of Law.

Resignation of Mr. Dabney from the Board of Directors

Mention was made of the resignation from the Board of Mr. Virginius Dabney.

Further Distribution of Race and Law Enforcement

Mr. Fleming reported on the publicity received by RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Dr. Johnson suggested that it would be well to single out those police chiefs who had some inclination to evangelize better police practices and get them to write to other chiefs.

Mrs. Tilly described in greater detail the arrangements with church women for distributing the police pamphlet.

Mrs. Birnie brought out the undesirability of the paternalism involved in suggesting that Negro teachers' groups get white friends to act in their stead in carrying the police pamphlet to the sheriff or the chief, and the executive director stated that it was hoped that Negroes would themselves make the direct approach in every community where they felt strong enough to do so.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

The secretary-treasurer, Katherine Stoney, pointed out that the 1951 excess of income over expenditures was achieved by the utmost economy in staff, travel, and supplies. She exhibited a single copy of the audit for 1951, stating that the auditor had had difficulty in getting his copying done, and that official copies would not be available for some days.

EFFECT OF POLICY STATEMENT ON MEMBERSHIP

Mr. Wright asked if the policy statement issued in December had caused us to gain or lose members. Miss Stoney replied that there was no evidence on the point, though there had been a scattered few resignations which might have been connected with the policy statement. Correspondingly, the Council had recruited new members since the statement.

FUND-RAISING

Various members, including Mr. Richardson, Mr. Wright, Dr. Johnson, and Father O'Connell, took part in the discussion of fund-raising activities.

SRC TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS

On motion by Mr. Wright, it was voted that the Council continue operations until the next Executive Committee meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

MINUTES OF MAY 15, 1952, MEETING AT BIRMINGHAM TO DISCUSS WAYS OF REDUCING VIOLENCE IN THE SOUTH ARISING FROM RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS TENSION

Representatives of a number of organizations interested in human relations in the South met in Birmingham, May 15.

Present:

Harry Alston--Southern Field Office, National Urban League, Atlanta
Ernest J. Arnold--Southeastern Office, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A., Atlanta
Byron Buckeridge--Job Opportunities Project, American Friends Service Committee, Dallas
Harold C. Fleming--Southern Regional Council, Atlanta
Mrs. Ruby Hurley--Southeast Regional Office, NAACP, Birmingham
Hubert Jackson--Public Housing Administration, Atlanta
Herman Long--Race Relations Division of the American Missionary Association, Nashville
Alex Miller--Southeastern Office, Anti-Defamation League, Atlanta
George S. Mitchell--Southern Regional Council, Atlanta
Philip Ogilvie--Catholic Committee of the South, Rock Hill, S. C.
Mrs. A. W. Plunk--National Council of Negro Women, Birmingham
A. L. Thompson--Federal Housing Administration, Atlanta
Mrs. M. E. Tilly--Southern Regional Council and Georgia Committee on Interracial Cooperation, Atlanta
Rev. Dan Whitsett--Alabama Division, Southern Regional Council, Sylacauga
Mrs. M. W. Spencer, Secretary, Birmingham

The following notified us by mail that they found it impossible to be present:

B. Tartt Bell--Southeastern Regional Office, American Friends Service Committee, Greensboro, N. C.
Hugh Brimm--Social Service Commission, Southern Baptist Convention, Louisville
M. P. Calhoun--Division of Christian Relations, Presbyterian Church in the U. S.
Doris Dennison--General Board of Education, The Methodist Church, Nashville
Theodore Freedman--North Carolina-Virginia Office, Anti-Defamation League, Richmond
Howard Kester--Fellowship of Southern Churchmen, Black Mountain, N. C.
J. Westbrook McPherson--New Orleans Urban League
Mrs. W. J. Moulder--Fellowship House of Knoxville
Rosalie Oakes--YWCA National Student Council, Atlanta
Olcutt Sanders--Texas Regional Office, American Friends Service Committee, Austin
Mary Jane Willett--YWCA National Board, Atlanta

The meeting was called to order at 9:45. George Mitchell was asked to continue for this meeting as convener.

Alex Miller reported for the special committee which had been charged at the February 22 meeting to offer plans for further action in the field of law enforcement and reduction of tension. He had co-opted to his committee Harold Fleming and Hubert Jackson.

He said that, though the committee had been concerned with many problems, they had narrowed their interests for this occasion to the problem of housing. He hoped that what the committee could offer would help us to plan for several years and would provide a springboard for action by the various organizations. He suggested that at succeeding meetings the groups could discuss other areas having the seeds of tension.

He thought now that the idea of a big, Southwide conference, which had been to the fore at the February 22 meeting, though attention-getting, would be expensive, and that the device now proposed of discussion at this meeting of a proposed policy might be productive of equal or superior results.

He noted that Federal police authorities are now collecting information on racial and religious violence, and that several members of Congress were discussing the practicability of establishing a Congressional committee on racial and religious tension.

He offered a guess that, of all the bombings in the last year or so in the South having a racial or religious background, arrests had not occurred in more than three per cent of the cases, and said convictions had been infinitesimal.

Alex Miller then read the attached proposed statement coming from his committee. (Note that the statement, as here attached, is the final form as approved by the group and by the sub-committee appointed. The alterations made by the group occur only in paragraphs 3, 4, 5, and 7 on page 3, and are detailed in the minutes.)

After this report from the committee, the group decided to divide discussion into two stages; (1) of the statement per se, and (2) what to do with it.

In discussion of the statement, Mrs. Hurley, Hubert Jackson, Al Thompson, Dan Whitsett, Mrs. Tilly, Harold Fleming, Ernest Arnold, Byron Buckeridge, Herman Long, and others took part.

In consequence, paragraph 3 on page 3 was altered from:

> Seek truly representative planning bodies on which Negro citizens will have an equitable voice in the official determination of community development.

to read as follows;

> . . . on which Negroes, Mexican-Americans, and other traditionally excluded groups will have an equitable voice . . .

Paragraph 4 was altered from:

> Lend support to efforts to develop expansion areas for Negro housing. That mainly involves combatting two vicious, omnipresent myths: (a) that Negroes cannot or will not pay decent prices for decent housing; and (b) that the presence of Negro residents in an area inevitably destroys nearby "property values."

to read as follows;

Lend support to efforts to develop expansion areas for those inadequately housed.

Foster recognition of the fact that: (a) Negroes can and will pay decent prices for decent housing; and (b) that the presence of Negro residences in an area does not of itself destroy nearby "property values."

Paragraph 5 was revised from:

Urge public officials to make adequate provisions for public housing, slum clearance, and urban redevelopment as an industrial region capable of contributing its share to the nation's economy.

to read as follows:

. . . and urban redevelopment.

Paragraph 7 was revised from:

Work for enactment of tighter municipal housing standards. Failing new construction, the only remaining possibility is repair and improvement of existing dwellings. Strong ordinances, backed up by inspections, can at least insure minimum standards of safety and adequacy of shelter.

to read as follows:

. . . municipal housing standards. Strong ordinances, backed up by inspection, will accomplish two important aims: (a) Insure that new construction is sound and is not merely providing more slums for a few years hence; (b) require repair and improvement of existing dwellings--particularly low-rental properties whose owners have allowed them to deteriorate steadily.

Paragraphs 2 and 3 on page 2 were ordered to be revised by a committee composed of George Mitchell, Hubert Jackson, and Robert Thompson of the Atlanta Urban League, the group undertaking to accept revisions to be made by that committee. The statement as attached incorporates the revisions made by the committee. The replaced paragraphs had read:

2. The public housing program has been drastically curtailed, and is now threatened with reduction to a mere token. In 1949, Congress passed a notable housing act and authorized annually increasing appropriations which would have moved us far along in slum clearance and urban redevelopment. But under stress of the military emergency (and quite to the liking of those who have fought Federally aided housing all along), Congress reduced the authorized number of housing units in the current fiscal year from the President's request of 75,000 to 50,000. Now the House of Representatives has cut next year's figure from 75,000 to only 5,000 units. For the South, enactment of this measure will sharply diminish any hope of large-scale relief from existing slums and housing tensions.

3. Private construction of low-income housing has been brought virtually to a standstill by credit controls and altered interest rates. These were no doubt proper steps in the Government's effort to stem inflation. But, rigidly applied, the regulations exact a harsh penalty. They freeze housing conditions at the lower levels where new building is most vitally needed. There is a good case for selective credit controls which would permit building in our worst housing areas.

Mrs. Tilly brought out the omission of any reference to the too frequent practice of condemning Negro housing areas as park sites. Several persons mentioned the retrogressiveness of public projects for rehousing, which are now sorting out by race communities previously interspersed, as at Tampa and Natchez.

Mr. Arnold told of an attempted suit in Atlanta by a group of white owners against Negro realtors who had sold homes to Negroes in an "all-white" area, for conspiracy to "lower property values" in that section of the city.

He also stated that in another attempt to block expansion of Negro residential areas, white home owners are now planning the formation of corporations to replace restrictive covenants. A group of home owners incorporate themselves and promise not to sell to Negro buyers under threat of a suit should the promise be broken.

The question was asked what part, if any, FHA played in blocking the expansion of residential areas for Negroes. Mr. Thompson stated that the FHA policy was sound but the lending agencies are replacing restrictive covenants by refusing to qualify a buyer for a FHA loan if he desires to buy property in an "all-white" area.

Mr. Jackson noted that the determinant as to segregation in new housing development today is the factor of financing. Money coming from private sources is denied to anything other than segregated projects.

Mr. Whitsett spoke of the growing contrast between "democratic slums" and "segregated housing."

Mrs. Hurley brought out the fact that much property formerly in white ownership is acquired by large landlords, who then turn it into rental property available to Negroes, and the usual process of dilapidation in rental property is all too likely to appear. She mentioned, however, that Birmingham is now vigorously condemning sub-standard dwellings and forcing repairs.

Since the public housing program has been drastically curtailed--from 75,000 to only 5,000 units, it was suggested that branches of the agencies represented at this meeting and others, write Congress for Senate action to increase the number of housing units for next year.

The group then turned to discussion of what was to be done with the statement. Several persons present thought that the statement so nearly conformed to the policies of their agencies that they could safely give it agency approval then and there, but the greater part of those present thought that the statement ought to be presented to their own agency policy-making Boards.

Others present, while not in a position to get agency approval of the statement, did wish to use it with scattered personnel of their agencies.

The decision reached was that the official source of the statement might be publicly described in the following language, and none other: "Discussed by a gathering at Birmingham May 15, 1952, of persons from agencies concerned with human relations in the South. Most of those present agreed to bring this statement to the attention of the policy-making bodies of their agencies."

It was further agreed that each agency represented at the meeting today or invited to be represented at the meeting today would be free to use the statement as revised within its own channels, and could reproduce, print, or publish the statement whenever its own policy board had approved it. Any who wish may have copies of the statement as revised.

All agencies present and invited to be present at the meeting were asked to notify George Mitchell, as convener, of any approving action of their policy-making bodies as to the statement. The Southern Regional Council, it was agreed, might print the statement in mid-June, using as explanatory language the description given in quotes above, and in addition stating: "This has been approved by . . . ," the dots representing the agencies which may have notified George Mitchell by mid-June of the official approving action of their policy boards.

Publicity for the statement was put into the hands of a committee composed of Alex Miller, Harold Fleming, and Harry Alston.

Discussion then turned to possible future meetings of this kind. Among a number of topics, agreement was reached on the use of racial prejudice in political campaigns. It was decided that the group would meet again in the early part of October. All agencies were requested to give reports during the summer on the use of racial and religious prejudice in political campaigns to Herman Long, Institute of Race Relations, Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee, who would, in preparing for the October meeting, make a digest and proposals. Agencies were cautioned to send in to Herman Long not merely clippings, but in addition to send fully explanatory memoranda.

Herman Long, as regional chairman for the South of the National Association of Intergroup Relations, Officials, and George Mitchell, as a vice-president of NAIRO, expressed the hope that many of those who were interested in this gathering would become members of NAIRO. Long and Mitchell undertook to write to all those present and invited, asking them to join NAIRO.

The meeting adjourned, after expressing appreciation for kind hospitality to the Southeast Regional Office of the NAACP and to St. Paul Church.

BLIGHTED HOUSING AND BOMB VIOLENCE

Within the past few years, we have witnessed the emergence of a new form of violence. As Southerners, we are particularly disturbed by the grave aspects of this problem in our region. Since January 1, 1951, more than 40 bombings have been perpetrated in the South by terrorists and vandals, and many more have been attempted.

The threat to law and order alone compels concern. But added to that is the disturbing fact that most of these depredations have grown out of racial and religious tensions. Bigotry, even in its non-violent aspects, is a clear and present danger in a nation built on diversity and respect for difference. When bigotry is coupled with bombs, the peril becomes acute.

Since the end of World War II, much progress has been made toward securing in law equal rights for all citizens. Decisions of the United States Supreme Court have lessened segregation in interstate transportation and higher education. Barriers have been lifted at polling places. The Armed Forces are discarding racial classifications. Better economic conditions are enabling minority-group members to seek better homes, often in areas hitherto closed to them. It is clear by now that this progress toward a broader democracy will continue, probably at an accelerating pace, in the years just ahead.

However, changes in age-old traditions are not accepted gracefully by some elements in the South. By reason of narrow self-interest or blind prejudice, these elements are waging a fierce rear-guard action against all such progress. Those among them who occupy responsible positions and who deliberately provoke racial antagonism are morally as guilty as the terrorists who resort to dynamite. Tension and violence are the inevitable results of the fear and hatred which they engender.

To the credit of the South, the bombings have been widely and vigorously denounced throughout the region. But expressions of temporary public outrage by themselves are not enough. Not a single case of bombing growing out of racial and religious tensions has resulted in conviction of the perpetrators.

Two things are urgently needed: First, frank recognition of the causes of tension and violence; and, second, public determination to eliminate lawlessness at its roots.

Those roots go deep into the everyday conditions under which our people live—and in no case more than in housing. The wretched slum dwellings of our Southern cities—nearly three-fourths of them occupied by Negroes—do us incalculable harm, morally as well as materially. Distrust, fear, rumor, and ultimately open violence are the fearful price we pay for the failure to provide long-range, constructive remedies for this problem.

Urban Housing: 1950

As revealed in reports of the 1950 Census, over three-fourths of the American cities with the worst housing are in the South. Of 77 cities in the nation with 30% or more substandard dwellings, 59 are Southern cities.

The Negro population has the worst of this problem, by far. According to the 1950 figures, Negro-occupied houses in the typical Southern city have a dollar value less than half that of white-occupied houses. Over-crowding among Negroes is three and four times as great as among whites. More than twice as many Negro homes are dilapidated as white homes. In many Southern cities, three-fourths of all Negro-occupied

houses are substandard--that is, they are inadequate or unsafe as shelter, or they lack minimum inside plumbing.

These conditions represent no improvement, and in some cases a worsening, since the 1940 Census. The reasons are easy to find:

1. Expansion of Negro residential areas has been almost completely blocked. Negro families that want and can afford decent housing in better neighborhoods have had little opportunity to secure it. More often than not, real estate interests and fearful white home owners have joined forces to bar the development of suburban expansion areas for Negroes. Thus, hemmed in on one hand by burgeoning business districts and on the other by older white neighborhoods Negroes have had no choice but to seek a block-by-block conversion of the older housing from white to Negro occupancy. It is this desperate transition process which breeds conflict. The process has been repeated in place after place, with the ~~inevitable~~ climax of bombing and other measures designed to terrorize Negro home buyers. First come rumors that Negroes are about to buy in a previously all-white "fringe" neighborhood. As suspicion and tension mount, "protective" associations are formed, often under the leadership of professional bigots. And, finally, at the first evidence of a neighborhood sale to Negroes, emotion explodes into violence. Ironically, even at the expense of all that effort and anxiety and unrest, the best the Negro population gets is hand-me-downs.

2. The public housing need has not been adequately met in Southern cities with a large proportion of substandard housing. This Federal program has been the target of sniping and emasculation attempts for years. The American people have become firmly convinced that the opportunity to secure good housing is a fundamental human right in a democracy. Low-income families share that right to good housing, at rentals they can afford. The Housing Act of 1949 is both notable and historic. The Public Housing title of the act provides for the maximum ~~annual~~ construction of 135,000 dwelling units ~~per~~ each year for a six-year period. The dire need of standard housing for low-income families can best be met by Federal-local cooperation, as typified by such legislation. The South, which vitally needs large-scale relief from existing slum areas and housing tensions, directly benefits from the present public housing program. A continuation and augmentation of this program is a must to effect a solution to the housing problem of the South.

3. Recent Government fiscal policies have tended to discourage private investment in low-income housing in non-defense areas. Those policies have been designed primarily to curb inflation and conserve materials in the current national emergency. But national security also depends on citizen morale and well-being. There is a good case for selective fiscal policies which would encourage private investment in new construction in our worst housing areas.

Things to Do

Civic-minded individuals and groups, public and private agencies share an enormous responsibility in this critical situation--a responsibility so far largely neglected. As organizations concerned with Southern progress, we call on our fellow citizens to join in the following efforts:

1. Find the facts: Organize as local citizens to make a self-survey of housing conditions and tension areas in your community.

2. Insist on able and impartial police handling of housing tensions. It is a

serious indictment of our law enforcement agencies that dozens of homes have been bombed without punishment of those guilty. In ~~many~~ some instances, the police have openly sided with aroused white householders, and so have tacitly encouraged the resort to lawlessness. In other instances, the violence-minded have grown brazen on the ineptness and inactivity of law enforcement authorities. The remedies—modern standards of police training and performance—are not likely to be attained until an enlightened public opinion demands them.

3. Seek truly representative planning bodies, on which Negroes, Mexican-Americans, and other traditionally excluded groups will have an equitable voice in the official determination of community development.

4. Lend support to efforts to develop expansion areas for those inadequately housed.

5. Foster recognition of the facts that (a) Negroes can and will pay decent prices for decent housing; and (b) the presence of Negro residents in an area does not in itself destroy nearby "property values."

6. Urge public officials to make adequate provisions for public housing, slum clearance, and urban redevelopment.

7. ~~Press for~~ Explore special Federal and private credit devices which will enable continuance of private housing construction in areas most in need of it.

8. Work for enactment of tighter municipal housing standards. Strong ordinances, backed up by inspection, will accomplish two important aims: (a) insure that new construction is sound and is not merely providing more slums for a few years hence; (b) require repair and improvement of existing dwellings—particularly low-rental properties whose owners have allowed them to deteriorate steadily.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of the Executive Committee

May 30, 1952 - Atlanta, Ga.

Agenda

Invocation

Minutes of Last Meeting

Report of Secretary-Treasurer

Other Staff Reports

Debt to Mr. Byrd

Sharecropper Pamphlet

Birmingham Meeting of Agencies

Program for Summer Months

Annual Meeting for 1952

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

May 30, 1952

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council was held in the Council offices, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, at 10:00 a. m., Friday, May 30, 1952. President Marion A. Wright presided.

The following members were present:

Marion A. Wright
Paul R. Christopher
Alfred Mynders
John Griffin
Rufus E. Clement

The following staff members were present:

Mrs. M. E. Tilly
George S. Mitchell
Harold C. Fleming
Anna Holden
Adella Shields
Emily Calhoun
Katherine Stoney

It was agreed to dispense with the reading of minutes of the last meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Miss Stoney, after reviewing the receipt of several large contributions during the month of April, gave the attached financial report for May.

In discussion, arrangements were made for further contact with the Ford Foundation through Mr. Griffin, and the newly-established committee of the House of Representatives to investigate foundations and foundation-assisted agencies was described.

RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Mrs. Tilly described her current campaign by mail and by personal travel to fulfill on the commitments of the Southeastern and Southcentral Jurisdictions of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church and have committees visit sheriffs in each county in the Southern States. In a few instances, notations have already been received of such local visits.

MEETINGS OF AGENCIES TO DISCUSS WAYS OF REDUCING VIOLENCE IN THE SOUTH

Mr. Fleming reviewed the two Southwide meetings of representatives of agencies interested in human relations to discuss ways of reducing violence in the South arising from racial and religious tensions. The February 22 meeting in Atlanta had been preliminary, and the May 15 meeting in Birmingham larger and productive of results. The minutes of the May 15 meeting were displayed. Agencies represented had been:

National Urban League, Southern Field Office, Atlanta
Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, Southeastern Regional Office, Atlanta
American Friends Service Committee, Job Opportunities Project, Dallas
Federal Housing Administration, Race Relations Advisor, Atlanta
National Council of Churches, Southeastern Office, Atlanta
NAACP, Southeast Regional Office, Birmingham
National Urban League, Southern Field Office, Atlanta
Public Housing Administration, Race Relations Advisor, Atlanta
Race Relations Division of the American Missionary Association, Nashville
Catholic Committee of the South, Rock Hill, S. C.
National Council of Negro Women, Birmingham
Southern Regional Council, Atlanta
Southern Regional Council, Alabama Division

Other agencies notifying the Council by mail that they were unable to send representatives to the meeting were:

Anti-Defamation League, North Carolina-Virginia Office, Richmond
The Methodist Church, General Board of Education, Nashville
New Orleans Urban League
Southern Baptist Convention, Social Service Commission
Presbyterian Church in the U. S., Division of Christian Relations
American Friends Service Committee, Southeastern Regional Office, Greensboro
American Friends Service Committee, Texas Regional Office, Austin
YWCA, National Board, Atlanta
YWCA, National Student Council, Atlanta

A special committee from the February 22 meeting, composed of Alex Miller, of the Anti-Defamation League, Hubert Jackson, of the Public Housing Administration, and Harold Fleming, had prepared for the Birmingham meeting a statement on Blighted Housing and Bomb Violence, which, with minor changes, was approved by those present at the Birmingham meeting, acting as individuals. They proposed that representatives of the various agencies should bring the statement to the attention of their policy-making boards. It could either be adopted as agency policy or merely used in any form helpful for circulation within the various agencies. The Birmingham meeting had agreed that in mid-June the SRC might publish the statement, showing in addition agencies which had by that time adopted it as official policy.

The Executive Committee read the statement and suggested the following minor changes:

Page 2, line 13, delete "inevitable." Line 27, delete "annual." Line 28, for "per year" substitute "each year."

Page 3, line 2, after word "in" substitute "some" for "many."

Page 3, numbered paragraph 7, instead of "press for," explore.

On motion, it was voted to adopt the statement, subject to the approval of Mr. Haas as counsel.

Dr. Mitchell reported that the group of agencies would meet again in October, at which time they would consider the use of race prejudice in elections. Special machinery had been set up to collect material on this topic during the summer months.

SRC PUBLICITY

Mr. Fleming reviewed newspaper and magazine coverage received by the Council.

SELF-SURVEYS

Miss Holden described the progress of the self-survey being made in Jackson County, Florida, by the Florida Resource-Use Education Committee and Florida State University, cooperating with teachers and citizens of the county. The SRC manual is being used as a guide. It was hoped that other counties would follow the same device being used in Jackson County.

Miss Holden described other surveys in progress in Birmingham and Shreveport, and described further the follow-up work done by the Greenville Community Council.

DEBT TO MR. BYRD

Miss Stoney reviewed the status of the debt to Mr. Byrd. The original compensation due him had been $7,000, which he had voluntarily scaled to $6,000 at the time of the Board meeting in November, 1949. Subsequent payments on the debt had reduced the principal to $3,950, now shown in a note to him due June 30, 1952, and bearing five per cent interest from January 1, 1952, forward. Mr. Wright raised the question of whether it would be appropriate to approach Mr. Byrd on the possibility of his reducing the debt, in view of the willingness of the Council to do what might be possible to clear it up in the near future. It was pointed out by Dr. Mitchell and Mr. Fleming that Mr. Byrd had been reluctant to accept the job of fund-raising for the Council, carefully avoiding any guarantee, and that he had voluntarily reduced the debt by a thousand dollars. Mr. Wright, Dr. Clement, and others pointed out that the fund-raising effort had not been notably successful and that in view of that, Mr. Byrd might feel some obligation to reduce the debt. Mr. Wright emphasized that the Executive Committee owed it to the Council's members to reduce the debt in so far as might be possible.

It was agreed that Mr. Wright, as president of the Council, would approach Mr. Byrd on the matter of the debt, making offer to pay in full if that were exacted, but expressing the hope that Mr. Byrd would be willing to reduce the sum due.

SHARECROPPERS PAMPHLET

Dr. Mitchell described the present status of the proposed pamphlet on the law of land tenure in the South. The National Sharecroppers Fund had, about two

years ago, allocated $1,500 to the Council to have such a pamphlet written and printed. Four hundred dollars had been paid to the Council, and we had secured an expert on the subject to write the pamphlet. He had completed a rough draft of the manuscript, but meanwhile the National Sharecroppers Fund found itself unable to finish its payment. The Council had lately paid from other funds the balance of $180 due on the fee to Albert Cotton as author of the manuscript. Dr. Mitchell had been to see persons in New York associated with the National Sharecroppers Fund and had hopes that they could raise enough money to enable the printing of the manuscript in revised form.

DEBT TO DR. MITCHELL

Mr. Griffin raised the question of making an attempt to reduce the Council's debt to Dr. Mitchell. This is in the sum of $1,500, borrowed in 1949 against a paid-up life insurance policy. Dr. Mitchell said he was content to let the debt remain unpaid and accrue interest for a while longer. Mr. Griffin suggested that the Council might take out a policy on Dr. Mitchell's life to cover the Council's contingent liability of $1,500, but after discussion the Executive Committee authorized the repayment of the loan at any time there is sufficient money in the treasury to make that possible.

SUMMER PROGRAM

Dr. Mitchell undertook to use the greater part of the summer in exploring in several States the availability of staff, in the event that the Council found itself in the Autumn in a position to set up the program contemplated in the Ford Foundation request. The States to be visited either by Dr. Mitchell or Mr. Fleming included Louisiana, Arkansas, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Alabama.

COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES

The status of this project was described and members of the Executive Committee were asked to help in raising money to match either of the two grants of one thousand dollars already made. Both these grants are conditioned upon their being matched from sources within the South. The hope was expressed that the Commission would be established by September or October, most of its work to be done in 1953. Mr. Wright suggested that if membership on the Commission could be announced in advance of the money-raising effort, the getting of the money might be considerably eased. He suggested as a suitable person Judge ~~A. D.~~ L. D. Lide ~~Lyle~~ of South Carolina.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Executive Committee agreed that the annual meeting in 1952 should be held on the date prescribed in the by-laws, November 12.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Some question was raised as to the size of the Board, now reduced to 49 elected members, plus 12 ex-officio members from State Divisions, plus 5 SRC officers. By the working of the by-laws, the Board would be further greatly reduced at the end of 1952. The Executive Committee felt that reconstitution of the Board of Directors should await decision on our major request for funds.

SALARIES

Mr. Griffin brought up the matter of making provision for raising the salaries of staff members. He was sensitive to the point by reason of his own recent service on the local Wage Stabilization Board. The Executive Committee directed that the committee authorized by the Board of Directors December 12, 1951, should undertake to study the entire salary scale of the staff and make recommendations at the next annual meeting. Miss Stoney was requested to send a resolution to this effect to all members of the sub-committee.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

December 20, 1952

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council was held in the Council offices, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, at 10:20 a.m., Saturday, December 20, 1952. President Marion A. Wright presided. Mrs. M.E. Tilly gave the invocation.

The following members were present:

Marion A. Wright	Harry V. Richardson	Rufus E. Clement
John A. Griffin	Leonard Haas	Alfred Mynders
Mrs. C. M. Birnie		

The following staff members were present:

Mrs. M. E. Tilly	Harold C. Fleming	Anna Holden
George S. Mitchell	Katherine Stoney	Emily Calhoun

It was agreed to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Segregation in the Schools

The Executive Director reviewed recent speaking engagements in Florida and Tennessee and then outlined steps taken by the Council toward preparing the South for the forthcoming Supreme Court decision in the matter of segregation in the schools.

He described conversations among Atlanta friends touching on the need for an understanding of the law that would prevail in case certain of the Southern States did attempt to establish a "private" school system; the value of building a cross-over between Negro and white teacher groups, on a State basis and locally; similarly with parent-teacher organizations; and the need for greatly increased knowledge in interracial circles of the accurate facts on each State school system.

He then discussed the possibility of establishing in each Southern State a volunteer committee which would concern itself with the many problems arising from the increased activity in the school field certain to come up in the near future. As a ready review of this problem, he read a letter prepared for President Marion Wright to send to the Fund for the Republic. Such committees, Dr. Mitchell said, would necessarily have to make plain at their launching that they would be concerned with smooth transition to an increasingly unsegregated school system in the Southern States.

Various members of the Committee suggested improvements and additions to the letter, and the final draft, attached hereto, was approved for President Wright's dispatch.

Toward the end of the discussion on this point, it was decided that the executive director should make an early trip to New York, in an effort to find funds for getting such committees under way.

State Divisions

Report was also made on the recent meetings of the State Divisions in Arkansas, North Carolina, Mississippi, South Carolina, and Florida.

Fund for the Republic

Those present were supplied with lists of the new members of the Fund for the Republic, and various arrangements were made for laying the Council's need before these persons.

Mr. Haas described a recent visit to New York in which he had access to persons associated with the Ford Foundation. It was his view that no decision would be reached on the Council's application before late January, at the earliest.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Katherine Stoney, as secretary-treasurer, gave the attached report.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

Harold Fleming, as director of information, reviewed recent access to news columns and described some of the impact of issues of NEW SOUTH.

FUND-RAISING

Various of the members, in particular Marion Wright, Harry Richardson, and Rufus Clement, described fund-raising efforts they were pursuing. Mr. Clement undertook to be in touch with various church officials, with a view to getting the Council into their budgets.

COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES

Dr. Mitchell reviewed the status of the proposed Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law. The granted $1,000, conditional upon its being matched by funds raised from within the South, had been in the Council's hands for nearly a year. An allocation of another thousand dollars had been made by the Doris Duke Foundation, similarly conditioned. Toward matching the Doris Duke allocation, $200 had been raised in Atlanta, and Mr. Richardson was actively engaged in raising an additional sum, which may reach the $800 needed. In that case, we would have only to raise a further $1,000 in order to realize $4,000 for the Commission, which is probably enough to launch it with.

REORGANIZATION OF S.R.C.

The proposed plan for reorganization of the Southern Regional Council, circulated to Committee members several weeks ago, was discussed. The executive director said that if the Executive Committee approved the plan, he would draw up a new set of by-laws, to be presented to the membership at the next annual meeting. On motion, it was voted to authorize the staff to prepare a revision of the by-laws, in accordance with the plan for reorganization.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Committee discussed at some length the date last authorized for the 1952 annual meeting; namely, February 11, 1953. In view of the uncertainty on funds, the Committee, on motion, authorized the staff to fix the date of the annual meeting, within its discretion, at a time not later than March 30. Mr. Wright and others urged that at the annual meeting a panel discussion take place on the subject of school segregation.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

SRC Exec Comm - Corres.

CC: Norma Huff

August 1, 1950

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Johnson:

We wrote you June 30 trying to fix a date for a September meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council. We then said September 9 had been set by the Committee itself, with September 16 as a possible but less desirable alternate.

We hesitate to get out the notices until we hear from you which date gives you your best chance to get here.

I remember that in your recent letter you said your New York trip might make it impossible for you to come to Atlanta. But I still want to take every chance of having you present.

Can you let us know which date is less unlikely?

The Committee set up a rule a year and a half or so ago that anybody who missed all meetings in a full year would have to be replaced. I am deeply anxious not to try to find anybody to fill your place -- as member and as Chairman! I suppose there would be a final out on that, though, if you could be present at the meeting of the Committee just before the membership meeting, which comes this year, I believe, on November 8.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

Shall I follow up?
—Beth

June 30, 1950

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Johnson:

As you will have already seen from the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting, the Committee fixed September 9 as the date for its September meeting. September 16 was regarded as a possible but less desirable alternate.

I know this is a mighty busy time of year for you, but we are much in need of your presence at that meeting. Will you let me know what you can do?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

SRC - EXCOM. agrees

November 22, 1950

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

The Executive Committee meeting is being planned for Saturday, December 16, 1950 at 10:00 in the Council's offices.

The recent meetings have left the Executive Committee with business of importance and some urgency.

Please return the enclosed post card, so that we can go ahead with meeting plans.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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Mrs. Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Huff:

Thanks for yours of March 16, also thanks for the minutes which were sent on from your office.

I hope I will be able to get to some meetings this year.

Best wishes.

Very truly yours,

Carter Wesley

Carter Wesley

/d

Exec. Comm.

September 19, 1951

Mr. Paul Christopher
216 Flatiron Bldg.
Knosville 16, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Christopher:

This is a request for you to vote by mail on a possible change in the date of the 1951 annual membership meeting of the Council.

The relevant portion of the by-laws is as follows:

> . . . at its principal office in Atlanta at ten o'clock A. M. on the second Wednesday in November in each year, if not a legal holiday, or at such other place and such other time within sixty days as may be designated by the Executive Committee provided notice of such meeting, including day, hour, and place, shall be given each member of the Council in writing at least thirty days in advance. (Section 3, Article 2)

We don't expect word from the Ford Foundation until late this fall. This could hardly be as early as November 7 (the regular date). And unless we know about that, it would seem almost impossible to plan wisely in a membership meeting.

Paul Williams has agreed that the date might well be changed if the Executive Committee approves.

I will appreciate it if you will return the enclosed postal, giving your wishes.

Sincerely,

Same letter to all members Exec. Committee

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

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Mr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

The enclosed statement of policy and aims is excellent. I have read it twice and no criticisms or suggestions come to mind. It has my hearty endorsement. It and you have my warm approval. I trust that it will serve our purpose effectively.

Yours cordially,

Charles S. Johnson

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Same letter to: Harry Richardson, Harold Trigg, Howard Odum, Morris Abram, A. W. Dent, Rev. Vincent O'Connell

November 2, 1951

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Dr. Johnson:

The Executive Committee of the Council met October 26. They reviewed and suggested some changes in structure and a few in language for the statement to be presented by the Special Committee on Policy and Program at the December meeting of the Board.

If you will be good enough to send in your comments in the next few days, we can send out to you a new draft in time for it to be feviewed before December.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

63 Auburn Ave., NE
Atlanta, Georgia
October 18, 1951

LETTER TO MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON POLICY

Here is a copy of a draft of a policy and purposes statement, which will need your careful review.

You will remember that the annual membership meeting in November, 1950, expressed a good deal of interest in having a policy statement and arranged for a committee to go into policy matters, "having in mind the possibility of calling expert guidance to finance a program in human relations."

In December of that year a committee was set up, as follows:

Dr. Charles S. Johnson, chairman	Dr. Howard W. Odum
Marion A. Wright	John A. Griffin
Dr. Harry V. Richardson	Morris Abram
Dr. Harold L. Trigg	Dr. A. W. Dent
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton	Rev. Vincent J. O'Connell

The special committee met in March, '51, and reworked a draft of a request to the Ford Foundation. The committee wished a policy and program statement to be summarized from the Ford Foundation appeal and submitted to them for review.

This is such a statement, in a first draft done by the staff.

The Executive Committee of the Council meets October 26, and they will have a chance to go over the statement too. But it is primarily the duty of the members of the special committee to reach agreement on a final draft.

If you will send in your views to me as soon as convenient, we will get back to you a new, composite draft in ample time for you to review it again before the meeting of the Board and of the membership in December.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Final ~~Revised~~ Draft

December 12, 1951

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL STATEMENT OF POLICY AND AIMS

Eight years ago, the Southern Regional Council was born out of the conscience and high resolve of a democratic nation at war. Today, in another period of international tension, we are faced with a renewed challenge to provide leadership and direction in a troubled region. It is essential that we assess clearly and wisely the role that the Southern Regional Council is to perform in this critical time.

We do not believe in the exclusive validity of any single approach or any single organization. There is not only room, but a desperate need for a wide variety of programs concerned with broadening democracy through legal, economic, legislative, religious, and educational means. Moreover, such programs are needed on all levels--national, regional, state, and local. Every group, like every individual, should chart its course with due regard for the special contribution it is fitted to make.

THE ROLE APPROPRIATE to the Southern Regional Council is evident in its origin and make-up. The Council's main asset is and has always been the people of the South who understand and want the full practice of democracy, and who at the same time know intimately the old evils that burden the South, and their causes. From such people is the Council's membership drawn. They have wanted a regional organization, not out of any provincial desire to separate the South's problems from the nation's, but out of the conviction that such an organization has unique advantages: It can express the best and often neglected elements of Southern thought and conscience; it can serve as a convincing demonstration of Southerners working together as fellow citizens without regard to race; and it can tap local resources and initiative often inaccessible to agencies outside the region.

4 The Council seeks to be a practical organization, emphasizing working solutions rather than spectacular pronouncements. Indeed, that philosophy is basic to an organization which hopes to open closed minds and substitute reason for prejudice.

5 The Council, by its very nature, is not a "mass pressure" organization. The number of persons in the South who are able and willing to reject the taboos on interracial effort in their own communities is growing, but it has not yet reached mass proportions. Meanwhile, the Council's membership can function effectively as enlightened citizens acting through the civic life of their communities in behalf of our common principles. Their methods are the established ones of conference, fact-finding, and persuasion.

6 The Council takes no part in political activity. However, it can and does consult with public agencies and officials and makes its influence felt for truly representative government.

7 THE COUNCIL'S FUNCTIONS may be briefly summed up as follows:

To serve as a meeting ground for citizens of all races, occupations, and religious persuasions.

To present the facts about the region, and their implications, through newspapers, radio, magazines, pamphlets, and other public media.

To counteract appeals to prejudice and violence by demagogues, professional bigots, and hate organizations.

To provide a program adaptable to local need in both the relatively backward and the relatively advanced areas of the South.

To translate appropriate research findings from universities and other centers to the practical situations with which the action program will be concerned.

To give special emphasis to the development of leadership among promising young Southerners of all races.

To convene, by interest group, key persons in the various fields of Southern life, so that steps to genuine integration may be representatively agreed upon.

To stimulate local initiative to work for local solutions in full democracy, so that legislation and judicial rulings may be translated into justice for the individual in his everyday life.

8 The basic machinery necessary to enable the Council to work effectively at these tasks is: (1) trained, competent, professional persons of both races working in each Southern state as agents of improvement in public life; and (2) staff in a central office of the Council to direct and service the field people.

9 THE DECLARED PURPOSE of the Southern Regional Council is "to attain through research and action the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the region." This objective has lost none of its timeliness since it was first adopted. Although the past eight years have brought notable progress in the South, the job remaining is a vast one, and the pressures of national and international events demand an even speedier advance. Many of our institutions continue to make unfair and unwarranted distinctions between citizens solely on the basis of race. Outmoded traditions, unjustified fears, and ancient prejudices continue to exact a heavy toll on the unity, productiveness, and integrity of our society.

10 It is the ultimate hope and aim of the Council that it may help in bringing solution to regional problems that transcend the question of race--problems economic, social, ethical, which affect impartially people of all races. But, for the present, the unique liability under which the South

labors arises out of an unreasoning racial disharmony. The first task of informed and conscientious Southerners is to strive to create here the atmosphere in which artificial distinctions and discriminations based upon race will no longer persist. Only when that goal has been attained will the energies of enlightened men be fully released for the great task of realizing all our potential resources, natural and human.

11 THE SOUTH OF THE FUTURE, toward which our efforts are directed, is a South freed of stultifying inheritances from the past. It is a South where the measure of a man will be his ability, not his race; where a common citizenship will work in democratic understanding for the common good; where all who labor will be rewarded in proportion to their skill and achievement; where all can feel confident of personal safety and equality before the law; where there will exist no double standard in housing, health, education, or other public services; where segregation will be recognized as a cruel and needless penalty on the human spirit, and will no longer be imposed; where, above all, every individual will enjoy a full share of dignity and self-respect in recognition of his creation in God's image.

12 Equal opportunity, truly defined, includes all this and more. We have no illusion that it can be realized in the South quickly or easily or perfectly. Nor do we imagine that the Southern Regional Council can play more than a modest but creditable part toward its achievement. Yet it is the ideal toward which we strive and, short of which, we have a duty to remain dissatisfied. For it is nothing less than the American ideal.

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TO MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dear Leonard:

Every year we have gone through the hocus-pocus of convening the Executive Committee for fifteen minutes before the annual meeting of the Board, to approve the Executive Committee's report to the Board.

If you can approve this by mail or make some changes, and then return it to me, it should be possible to avoid having a meeting of the Executive Committee December 11.

We will hope for you to be present at the Board meeting December 11, 10:00 A. M., in the Board Room at Atlanta University.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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I hereby approve the Executive Committee's Report dated November 30, 1951.

Leonard Reissig

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63 AUBURN AVENUE, NE

ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

November 30, 1951

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Your Executive Committee has met four times since the last meeting of the Board of Directors. The meetings were held, respectively, in December, 1950; March, June, and October, 1951.

As directed by the 1950 membership meeting, the Executive Committee advised the president in the appointment of a Special Policy Committee to review SRC policy and program and make a special report thereon to the 1951 meeting. The Committee so appointed consisted of: Charles S. Johnson, chairman; Marion A. Wright; Harry V. Richardson; Harold L. Trigg; Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton; Howard W. Odum; John A. Griffin; Morris Abram; A. W. Dent; Vincent J. O'Connell. Their next report will be made in due course to you.

On matters of staff, we regretfully accepted, on your behalf, the resignation of Mrs. Norma Huff as secretary-treasurer and approved the appointment of Miss Katherine Stoney as acting secretary-treasurer, pending confirmation by your meeting.

We also gave consent to participation by the Southern Regional Council in the Old-Age Benefit Plan of the new Federal Security Act, at an estimated net additional cost to the SRC for the year 1951 of $352.50.

We arranged that the grant from the Marshall Field Foundation toward publication of New South be used for issues on a monthly basis.

On finances, we used our best efforts toward reducing the Council's indebtedness and meeting its current bills for this year. The secretary-treasurer's report will make plain that the standing indebtedness has been reduced from $7,500 to slightly under $5,500; and on operating account the Council is, of today, virtually without indebtedness.

We have supervised closely the preparation of an appeal to the Ford Foundation, in which work, also, we have had the assistance of the Special Committee on Policy and Program. The Ford appeal and extensive exhibits to accompany it went forward to the Foundation in late May of this year. Various of the Committee and their friends have endeavored to expedite a favorable decision from the Ford Foundation. If the request is granted, it would enable the Council to set going a really active program in each Southern State, with paid personnel in a dozen State offices working through State SRC members toward accomplishment, locally and in detail, of the Council's objective of equal opportunity for all. The State programs would be assisted and coordinated with a small staff in a central office, engaged in research interpretation and publication of a bulletin useful in all the offices and to the members, and generally encouraging and inter-relating the work of the various State movements.

This annual meeting marks the end of the second year in which the Council has carried on without benefit of any substantial lump sum grant, such as the Council had fortunately received for each year from its beginning through 1949. It has been an extremely difficult matter to find replacement for the missing annual backlog grant of roughly $25,000. The gap has been met by reduction two years ago of the Council's rate of expenditure by $12,000 or $15,000; by inducing an increasing number of the Council's members to become sustaining members, at ten dollars a year; by getting additional support from major church bodies; through help obtained in sums of $1,000 or $2,000 from several foundations; and enlarging our support from trade unions.

Your Committee is grateful that, through its own efforts and the work of the staff and through the generosity of many friends, it has been possible to carry forward the Council's work in this way. But we are sensible of the undue devotion of time to fund-raising efforts, and are anxious that means be found to release the full energies of us all to program, and more particularly, for the very great expansion of the Council's work in this present period when informed and temperate leadership can so greatly speed and ease the South's transition to full democracy.

Chairman of the Executive Committee

December 18, 1951

Rev. V. J. O'Connell, S. M.
2901 S. Carrollton Ave.
New Orleans, La.

Dear Father Vince:

We all missed you at the time of the meetings. They went mighty well, though it is a sorrow to let Paul withdraw as president after his six hard years.

They elected an almost entirely new slate of officers, as follows:

President--Marion A. Wright
Vice-Presidents--Carter Wesley, Gordon Hancock, A. W. Dent, Alfred Mynders
Counsel--Leonard Haas

And they gave themselves the honor of naming you to the Executive Committee. I do hope you can automatically accept.

We were losing several Board members this year because they were completing their second four-year terms and therefore couldn't be reappointed. And that made the various changes in the Executive Committee. Mrs. Hamilton, Msgr. McNamara, and Gordon Hancock were in that category.

Here is the statement, in full, of our principles as adopted at the meeting. I am sure they have your agreement.

I am mighty glad they put you on the Executive Committee, because now that will fetch you to Atlanta once in a while instead of my having to get to New Orleans to enjoy your company.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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December 18, 1951

Mr. John A. Griffin
Emory University
Emory University, Ga.

Dear John:

I think maybe you had gone from the meeting the other day when they gave themselves the honor of electing you to the Executive Committee. I do hope you automatically accept. Your fellows will be:

Charles Johnson, chairman
Mrs. Cassandra Maxwell Birnie
Rev. V. J. O'Connell
Rufus Clement
Paul Christopher
Harry V. Richardson

Here is the statement, in full, that the Board and the membership adopted.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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December 18, 1951

Mr. Paul R. Christopher
216 Flatiron Bldg.
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Christopher:

Our thanks to you for contributing to the Council the amount of your expenses to the Board meeting and Annual meeting. We realize too that you gave much more than that in time and effort to be in Atlanta for those two days.

Best wishes to you and your family for a happy Christmas and a good year in 1952.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
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Travel

Railway and Pullman Tickets ..... $ 12.44

From Knoxville, Tenn. To Atlanta, Ga. To Knoxville, Tenn.

Plane: From ..... To ..... To ..... $ .....

Bus: From ..... To ..... To ..... $ .....

Auto: From ..... To ..... To ..... $ .....

Number of Miles Traveled by Auto .....

Taxicabs ..... $ 1.00

Carfare ..... $ .....

Hotel

Dates and Places December 11, 1951 Atlanta, Ga. ..... $ 6.18

Meals B $1.81 - L 60¢ - D $1.34 ← Dec. 11; Dec. 12 → B 83¢, L $1.25, D $2.84 ..... $ 8.67

Telephone and Telegraph ..... $ .....

Other Expenses (Itemize) ..... $ .....

..... $ .....

TOTAL ..... $ 18.29

Signed Paul Christopher

Address Credit as contribution. Do not send check. Thanks.

Date of Trip December 11 and 12, 1951

Purpose of Trip To attend Board of Directors meeting and annual meeting.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

63 AUBURN AVENUE, NE

ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

December 27, 1951

MEMORANDUM

TO: MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
SUBJECT: PUBLICITY RECEIVED BY STATEMENT OF POLICY AND AIMS

At the time of the recent annual meeting, considerable interest was expressed in getting the widest possible distribution and publicity for the "Statement of Policy and Aims" adopted by the Board and the membership. A full report will be made at the next meeting of the Executive Committee, and clippings of the various newspaper stories will be on hand. Meanwhile, we thought you would like to have a brief preliminary summary of press coverage.

The full text of the Statement, together with an announcement of new officers, was released for use in the papers of December 14. Stories were sent out by the Associated Press, the United Press, the International News Service, and the Associated Negro Press. A lengthy special story was published by the New York Times on the first page of the second section and was listed in the Times' daily news index.

The Associated Press story (by far the best of those put out by the wire services) was evidently widely carried. Of the limited number of Southern dailies available to us for sampling, all but a very few used it. These included the Asheville Times, Augusta Chronicle, Charleston News and Courier, Charlotte Observer, Chattanooga Times, Columbia State, Columbus Enquirer, Greensboro Daily News, Greenville News, Montgomery Advertiser, Raleigh News and Observer, Richmond Times-Dispatch, Savannah Morning News, Tampa Tribune.

The three Atlanta papers--Constitution, Journal, and Daily World--all carried stories of their own. The World, in addition, ran the Statement in full and a commendatory editorial. Another Negro-owned paper, the Columbia Lighthouse and Informer, also published the full text and an editorial praising the Council's leadership. A third, the Norfolk Journal and Guide, ran a prominently featured story.

As you know, the Statement will be published in the forthcoming New South, and reprints of it will be available. We expect that this distribution will result in added notice in magazines, church organs, and other special publications.

NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN CASE IT IS DECIDED TO CONTINUE WITH THE PRESENT ~~WORK~~ Organization OF THE COUNCIL

The Executive Committee during 1951 has been composed of:

President
Paul Williams

Vice-Presidents
Carter Wesley
Harold Trigg
Guy Johnson
John H. Wheeler

Counsel
Leonard Haas

Additional members
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, class of '51
Gordon Hancock, '51
Msgr. T. J. McNamara, '51
Paul Christopher, '51 (eligible for second term)
Charles S. Johnson, '52
Rufus Clement, '53
Marion A. Wright, '53

Of these, we lose perforce this year Mrs. Hamilton and Msgr. McNamara.

If the by-laws are amended and an additional Vice-Presidency created, Gordon Hancock could be elected to that. Paul Christopher presumably will be nominated for a further term.

We would have three vacancies as elected members to be filled. Those are Mrs. Hamilton, Msgr. McNamara, and Gordon Hancock. These vanancies would have to be filled from among the persons elected to membership on the Board of Directors by the membership meeting December 12, 1951.

The members of the classes of '52, '53, and '54 are as follows:

Class of 1952 (19)

Arkansas
R. R. Wright, Jr.
Florida
Herbert Davidson
Georgia
Morris Abram
Benjamin E. Mays
Harry V. Richardson

Louisiana
V. J. O'Connell
Florence Sytz
Mississippi
D. Swan Haworth
North Carolina
W. W. Alexander
Clyde Milner
N. C. Newbold
Howard W. Odum
R. B. Wellons
Oklahoma
O. D. Duncan
Tennessee
Charles S. Johnson
E. W. Palmer
Virginia
Virginius Dabney
Arthur Raper
P. B. Young

Class of 1953 (21)

Alabama
Charles Mantinband
F. D. Patterson
Florida
Mrs. Warren Zeuch
Georgia
Rufus E. Clement
John A. Griffin
Armand May
Lorimer D. Milton
Glenn W. Rainey
Forrester B. Washington
Kentucky
E. A. McDowell
C. H. Parrish
E. A. Penick
North Carolina
Charlotte Hawkins Brown
Marion A. Wright
South Carolina
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie
A. T. Butler
James L. Coker
Alice N. Spearman
Texas
Carter Wesley
Virginia
Alonzo G. Moron
J. G. Pollard

Class of 1954 (1)

Virginia
Arthur W. Mitchell

Names suggested are:

Rev. V. J. O'Connell, New Orleans
Hugh Brimm, Louisville
Benajmin E. Mays, Atlanta
James L. Coker, Hartsville, S. C.
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie, Atlanta
Josephine Wilkins, Atlanta
Morris Abram, Atlanta

SRC - Ex. Com.

Sent to all Executive Committee members.

February 11, 1952

Mrs. Cassandra H. Birnie
864 Hunter St., SW
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mrs. Birnie:

Marion Wright has suggested that, in addition to the financial figures each month, the members of the Executive Committee might well be supplied with some account of SRC activities for the month. The Executive Committee are the Council's innermost family circle, and they are asked to hold as confidential these notes on things done and things in preparation.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, JANUARY, 1952

A lady in the Birmingham Interracial Committee called from Birmingham. They think the time may be ripe to make a push for Negro police in Birmingham. What would be three good cities using Negro police to which the Birmingham paper could send a reporter for check-up stories? And where could they find a good, paid secretary to their Interracial Committee?

Follow-up letters went to all State Divisions or affiliated Interracial Committees which had not as yet undertaken to buy blocks of the forthcoming police pamphlet, urging them to make up their minds.

Conferred with President M. A. Wright at Linville Falls.

In furtherance of sales and use of the forthcoming police pamphlet, corresponded with, and in five or six instances conferred personally with national representatives of the Northern and Southern Presbyterian Churches, the Methodist Church, the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Catholic Committee of the South, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, the Congregational Church, the Disciples of Christ, the Lutherans, the Social Service Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the National Council of the Churches of Christ.

One of us served on an educational advisory committee to assist Atlanta high school students in the formation of an Interracial Youth Council.

Met three times with the Atlanta Urban League Committee on Employment Opportunities to devise means of securing job opportunities in the large Lockheed defense plant in Marietta, Georgia.

Assisted the Georgia Council of Church Women in the preparation of statements and press releases dealing with State measures affecting the right of suffrage.

Issued a statement on the regional implications of the Florida violence; the statement received wide publicity in the South and elsewhere.

Got out to all SRC members in the Atlanta area notice of a concert for the benefit of the United Negro College Fund.

Day-long conference with head people in the Catholic Committee of the South and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith on concerted policy against dynamiting and other violence. Agreed to convene twelve or fifteen head people in other organizations in the South to discuss and achieve if possible a concerted policy.

Completed a lengthy summary of race relations in the Southern States, to appear as a section in the 1952 Negro Year Book, published by Tuskegee Institute, for which Tuskegee paid us $150.

Lectured at the University of Florida, Florida A&M College (Tallahassee), Florida State University, Georgia Tech, Agnes Scott College, and to the Seminarians of the Trinitarian Fathers at Silver Spring, Maryland.

Arranged for February publicity on the forthcoming police manual, including a series of three feature articles by the Associated Press, a special New York Times story, editorial comment in Southern newspapers, and so on.

On a trip to New York visited most of the Council's foundation friends and others, as suggested by members of the Executive Committee. The Sidney Hillman Foundation and the Field Foundation, which were among those visited, made appropriations to the Council during January of $1,500 and $2,500, respectively. At Philadelphia discussed with the American Friends Service Committee possibility of assistance to SRC this year.

Prepared and sent to members of the Board minutes of the Board meetings of December 12 and 13. Rough drafts of the minutes of the membership meeting completed.

The survey assistant visited Shreveport, Texarkana, Ruston, and Lafayette in a round of towns which had shown some interest in the survey idea. Reports the Shreveport survey nearly completed. Texarkana and Lafayette are possibilities. Interviewed numerous SRC friends in New Orleans also. Trip paid for with proceeds of 1951 grant from NCCJ.

Wrote to various sizeable annual contributors to SRC and requested early help in 1952.

Sent out to Board members and various other SRC friends mimeod copies of McCray's editorial in The Lighthouse and Informer of January 19, praising results of Greenville's survey.

Corresponded with director of Department of Human Relations at University of Miami on forthcoming article from him for New South.

Commissioned to the binder's three presentation volumes of New South, covering the six years of Paul Williams' presidency.

Sent to American Friends Service Committee condensed financial report for 1951.

Visited Board member A. W. Mitchell at Petersburg, Virginia, and requested his further assistance in raising funds.

Reported to Channing Tobias, of Phelps-Stokes Fund, on the action of Negro friends in Atlanta in raising in excess of $1,000 for us in the later part of 1951.

A Negro Council member in South Georgia wrote in that title to a city lot and a farm had been stolen from her. Could we help? In conjunction with Georgia Interracial Committee arranged for investigation by attorney.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for January 1952

INCOME

Contributions from Individuals	921.39	
Contributions from Organizations	50.00	
Houston Area CIO Council $25.00		
Alabama CIO Union Council 25.00		
Contribution from Church Group	250.00	
Board of Missions of Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.		
Contribution from Foundation	300.00	
Marion R. Ascoli Fund		
Members Dues	302.00	
New South Subscriptions	28.50	
Sale of Misc. Literature	62.15	
Work on Negro Year Book for Tuskeegee	150.00	
Honoraria	49.22	
Travel refunds	36.92	
Sale of office supplies	11.64	
Postage	1.84	
		$2,163.66
Loan from Special Accounts to meet payroll*		1,000.00
Total deposits for month		$ 3,163.66

EXPENSE

Salaries	$ 2550.59	
Social Security (cost to Council)	13.49	
Travel	136.71	
Rent	130.00	
Telephone & Telegraph (two months)	123.69	
Postage	67.50	
Insurance (bond)	31.24	
Books and subscriptions	2.55	
Office supplies	1.22	
Georgia sales tax	.57	
Bank charge	.20	
Total expense		$ 2,929.06

* Repaid Feb. 6, 1952

SRC-Finance report for January 1952

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AS OF JANUARY 31, 1952

Travel (Board members to Annual meeting)	$ 410.32	
Atlanta Envelope Co.	68.14	
Pitney Bowes Mailing Mach.	23.22	
Tidwell Co.	.57	
Gershon Printing Co.	8.35	
Elliott Address. Mach. Co.	5.29	
Western Union	5.64	
Ivan-A. Marshall Co.	3.86	
Office Supply Co.	10.16	
Telephone Co.	26.51	
New York Times	6.25	
		$ 568.31
Due to State Divisions		
Alabama	10.50	
Florida	30.50	
Kentucky	14.50	
Louisiana	3.00	
Mississippi	47.00	
N. O. Comm.	28.50	
N. Carolina	13.00	
S. Carolina	96.50	
		$ 243.50
		$ 811.81

INCOME AND EXPENSE FOR SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Receipts for New South Account From Field Foundation	$2,500.00
Expense from New South Account Stein Printing Co.	$231.85
Expense from N.C.C.J. Grant for travel to promote Home Town Self-Survey	
Anna Holden - trip to Shreveport, Texarkana, Ruston, New Orleans	$ 124.58

NOTE: At a meeting of its Board in January, the Sidney Hillman Foundation appropriated to SRC $1,500. (Received Feb. 5th.)

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia
(Walnut 7963)

FOR AFTERNOON PAPERS, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

The Southern Regional Council today announced a concerted effort to secure "fairer and more efficient" law enforcement in Southern communities. The Council, with headquarters in Atlanta, is a Southwide interracial organization of educational, business, church, labor and professional people in thirteen states.

The announcement was made in connection with the release of a manual for community groups titled "Race and Law Enforcement: A Guide to Modern Police Practices."

"We are convinced," said Dr. George S. Mitchell, executive director of the Council, "that there is a mounting determination among Southern people to have able and impartial enforcement of the law, in which prejudice will play no part. This manual is a tool with which they can work. It is designed for local use by local people. It sets forth simply and clearly the professional standards called for, the problems in the way, and an effective approach for private citizens. In addition to the Southern Regional Council's own membership, a number of church boards have expressed interest in using the manual in their action programs.

"The recent upsurge of lawlessness, in Florida and elsewhere, has demonstrated the urgent need to guarantee personal safety for all the people of our region. This effort for improved law enforcement can put us a long way toward that goal."

Pointing to the emergence of a "hopeful trend" in the South, the Council's manual declares: "Police officers are winning merited acclaim for averting mob violence, safeguarding unpopular prisoners, protecting the innocent, curbing illegal activities of hate groups, and in general enforcing the law impartially and humanely. There are still far too many instances of

police violence, forced confessions, and application of a double standard based on race. But such instances are occurring less frequently and are finding less public sanction than ever before."

It adds, "How quickly this trend will become the normal and accepted pattern of Southern law enforcement depends in large part on public opinion."

Among the police problems caused by prejudice, the manual lists bias on the part of policemen themselves, public appeals to race hatred, conflict over housing and public services, wild rumors and mob violence. It advocates the following "key principles of policemanship":

1. Thorough knowledge of the law and care not to exceed the authority of law.
2. Courteous treatment of the public.
3. Refusal to "take sides" in racial disputes.
4. Careful fact-finding, then prompt action based on the facts.
5. Avoiding the use of force, except "when absolutely necessary to overcome resistance to arrest, or when the police officer is physically attacked."
6. Development of friendly relations with community leaders and civic organizations.

The manual also recommends the employment of Negro policemen, who now number approximately 450 in 82 Southern towns and cities.

Citizens are urged to study their police forces and seek improvement through the self-survey method. "Local people themselves gather the facts, wrestle with the problems, and come up with working solutions," the manual declares. "A survey of this kind may be carried out either by an already existing organization or by a group especially created for the purpose... If all the important segments of the community are represented, the findings will carry more weight and have a broad base of support from the outset."

The manual includes a checklist to aid in such surveys of law enforcement.

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June 26, 1952

Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Haas:

Thank you for your letter of June 25th.

Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie has an office at 864 Hunter Street, SW, telephone AMhurst 3656.

We all appreciate your giving of your time to work on this study.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Southern Regional Council

Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
Room 432,
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

Attention Mrs. Katherine Stoney

My dear Mrs. Stoney:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 24th, for which please accept my thanks.

Will you be good enough to let me know where I can reach Mrs. Cassandra Maxwell Birnie, as I wish to call a meeting of the Committee at an early date.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Leonard Haas

Leonard Haas.

LH:LPM

Same letter to
Leonard Haas

June 24, 1952

Mrs. Cassandra Maxwell Birnie
864 Hunter Street, SW
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Birnie:

At the May 30th meeting of the Southern Regional Council Executive Committee, the members present gave some consideration to the proposal which was made at the meeting of the Board of Directors last December; that the President appoint a committee of three members from the Executive Committee to approve an increase in the salary of the Executive Director as soon as the finances of the corporation would allow for it.

In the discussion of this proposal, the Executive Committee decided that some study should be done of the salary scale of the entire staff so that in the event the Council received substantial Foundation aid, some recommendations might be in hand. Accordingly, the Executive Committee authorized the President to ask this committee of three to make such a study and to report on it at the next Annual Meeting of the Council, now scheduled for November 12, 1952.

Mr. Wright has appointed to the committee you, Mr. Lenoard Haas, and Mr. John Griffin. I was asked to notify you and to ask that you arrange for meetings at whatever time is convenient for the three of you.

I shall, of course, be glad to help in any way I can.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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June 24, 1952

Mr. John A. Griffin
Emory University
Emory University, Georgia

Dear Mr. Griffin:

You will remember that at the May 30th meeting of the Southern Regional Council Executive Committee the President was authorized to ask a special committee of three members to make a study of the salary scale of the entire staff of SRC in order that some recommendations might be in hand in the event that the Council received substantial Foundation aid. This committee was asked to make its report at the next Annual Meeting of the Council, now scheduled for November 12, 1952.

Mr. Wright has appointed to that committee you, Mr. Leonard Haas, and Mrs. Cassandra Maxwell Birnie. He has asked me to notify you and to ask that you arrange for meetings at whatever time is convenient for the three of you. He did not designate a chairman but I am sure that since you were present at the meeting, it would be well if you would take the lead in arranging for the committee to get together. Letters are going to Mr. Haas and Mrs. Birnie today.

If I can be of any help, please call on me.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

Exec. Com

MEMO TO KS June 16, 1952

GSM reminds you that you are to write to Leonard Haas, Mrs. Birnie and John Griffin ~~about~~ as the committee to study the salary schedule.

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PROPOSED PLAN FOR POSSIBLE REORGANIZATION OF SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

At the meeting of the Southern Regional Council Executive Committee held on September 27th, time was given to discussion of the Council's reorganization in the event that we should receive substantial aid, this in accordance with the resolution passed at the Annual Membership meeting on December 13, 1951.

It was agreed at the Sept. 27th meeting that further study should be made of the plan by the total membership of the Executive Committee and that at its next meeting, to be held in December of 1952, some proposal would be formulated to be presented at the Annual Membership meeting which is to be held in February 1953.

The Secretary was asked to send an outline of the plan of reorganization to the Executive Committee members and to remind them that this would be discussed in the December meeting.

OUTLINE OF PLAN OF REORGANIZATION

Membership in the Southern Regional Council would become synonymous with membership on the Board of Directors. Simple individual membership would be discontinued. Associates of the Southern Regional Council (resident out of the South) would continue, but as at present, without voting privileges.

Membership on the Board would be in two catagories.

From 40 to 50 persons so elected by the annual membership meeting of 1952. Suggest we call these General Members.

Two people sent by each affiliated State Organization. One would be the Chairman of such Organization, the other a person elected by the membership of the State Organization. Suggest we call these persons State Members.

The officers of the Council (President, Vice-President, Counsel, Executive Director, and Associate Executive Director) would also be ex-officio members of the Board.

This is a Board having at maximum strength:
50 General members
26 State members
7 Officers, Ex-Officio members
83 Members

Continuation of the Board. Of the fifty members elected in 1952, one-half would get two-year terms, and the rest four-year terms. Elections to fill vacancies would be by majority vote of the whole Board, with the Executive Director and Associate Executive Director excluded from voting (on this issue only). Vacancies among State Members would, of course, be filled by the State Organizations. General Members (and presumably, elected State Members, other than State Chairmen) would serve four-year terms, and not more than two consecutive such full terms. State Chairmen would be Board members as long as they are State Chairmen. Ditto for SRC officers.

Affiliation by State Organizations. Upon written approval by or on behalf of the Board of SRC of by-laws of such organizations. Amendments to such by-laws not effective until approved by SRC. By-laws to contain prohibition of political activity.

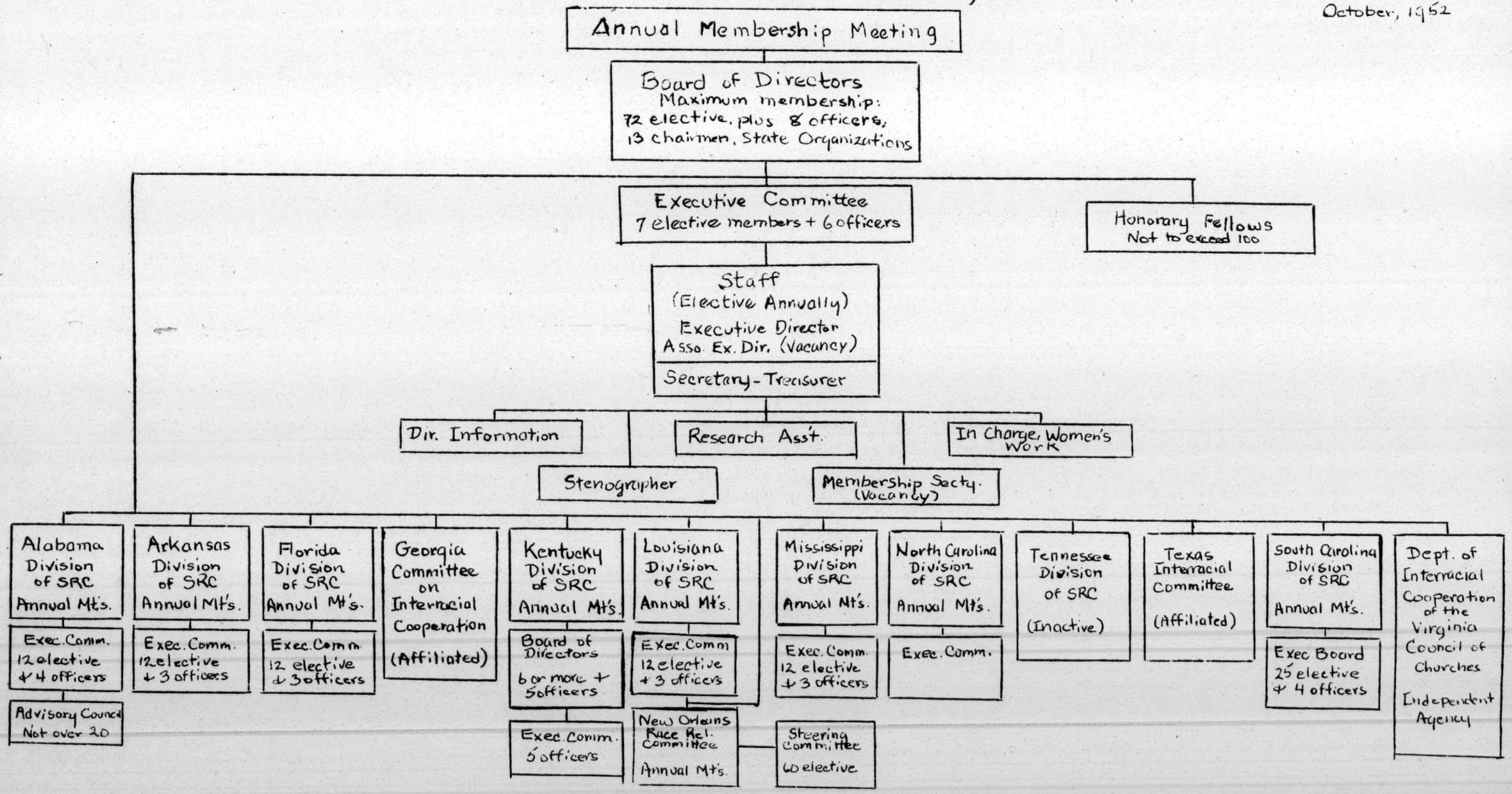
Personnel of State Organizations paid, in whole or in part, by SRC to receive checks from central office.

Local Organizations. Ordinarily, to be creatures of appropriate State Organizations, and by-laws and amendments to by-laws to be approved by State Organizations and SRC.

Executive Committee. Nine, plus SRC officers, exclusive of Executive Director and Associate Executive Director. Total of 14 Quorum, five (?).

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

October, 1952



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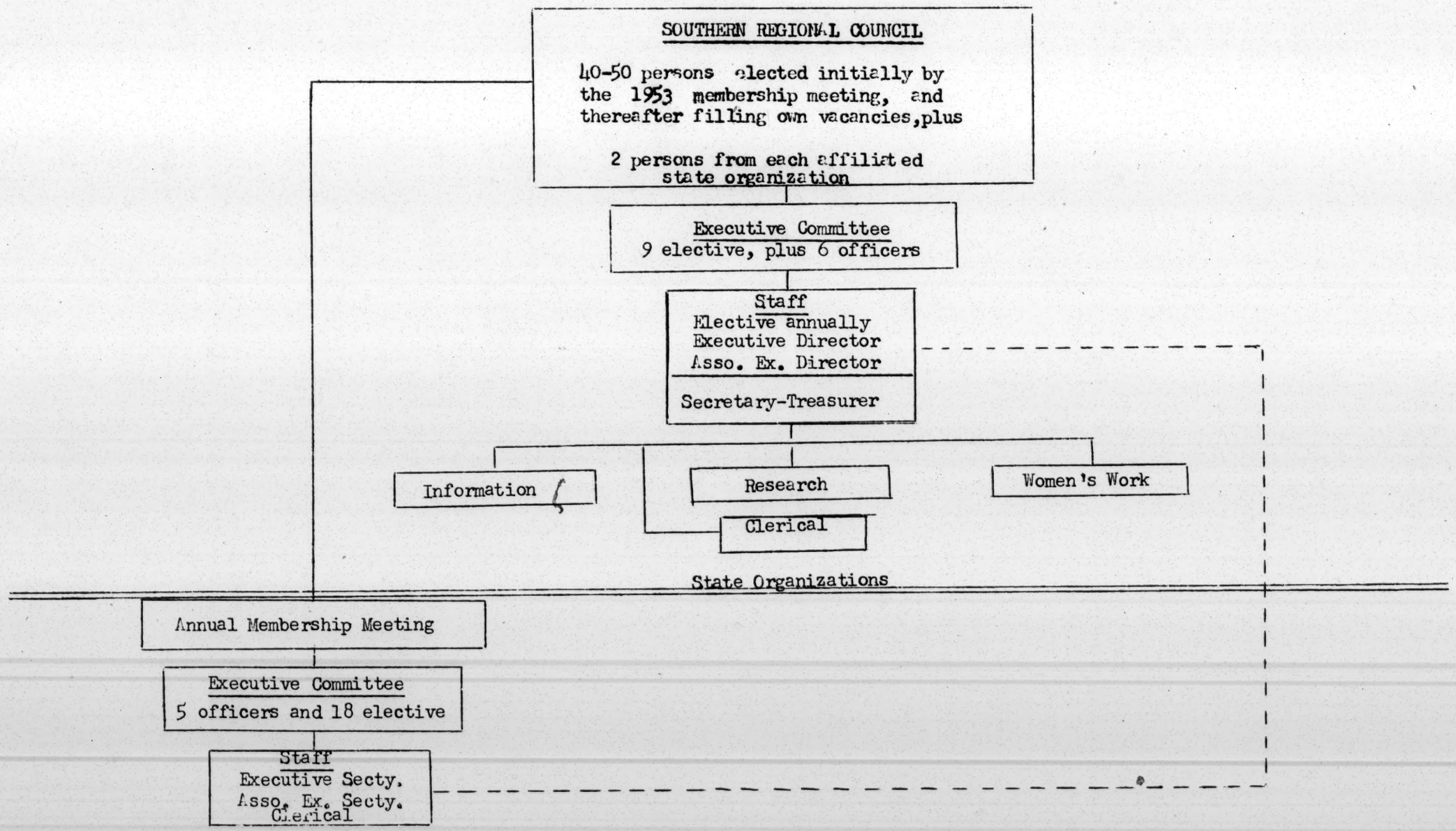
Possible Future Reorganization



STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, JANUARY, 1952

A lady in the Birmingham Interracial Committee called from Birmingham. They think the time may be ripe to make a push for Negro police in Birmingham. What would be three good cities using Negro police to which the Birmingham paper could send a reporter for check-up stories? And where could they find a good, paid secretary to their Interracial Committee?

Follow-up letters went to all State Divisions or affiliated Interracial Committees which had not as yet undertaken to buy blocks of the forthcoming police pamphlet, urging them to make up their minds.

Conferred with President M. A. Wright at Linville Falls.

In furtherance of sales and use of the forthcoming police pamphlet, corresponded with, and in five or six instances conferred personally with national representatives of the Northern and Southern Presbyterian Churches, the Methodist Church, the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Catholic Committee of the South, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, the Congregational Church, the Disciples of Christ, the Lutherans, the Social Service Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the National Council of the Churches of Christ.

One of us served on an educational advisory committee to assist Atlanta high school students in the formation of an Interracial Youth Council.

Met three times with the Atlanta Urban League Committee on Employment Opportunities to devise means of securing job opportunities in the large Lockheed defense plant in Marietta, Georgia.

Assisted the Georgia Council of Church Women in the preparation of statements and press releases dealing with State measures affecting the right of suffrage.

Issued a statement on the regional implications of the Florida violence; the statement received wide publicity in the South and elsewhere.

Got out to all SRC members in the Atlanta area notice of a concert for the benefit of the United Negro College Fund.

Day-long conference with head people in the Catholic Committee of the South and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith on concerted policy against dynamiting and other violence. Agreed to convene twelve or fifteen head people in other organizations in the South to discuss and achieve if possible a concerted policy.

Completed a lengthy summary of race relations in the Southern States, to appear as a section in the 1952 Negro Year Book, published by Tuskegee Institute, for which Tuskegee paid us $150.

Lectured at the University of Florida, Florida A&M College (Tallahassee), Florida State University, Georgia Tech, Agnes Scott College, and to the Seminarians of the Trinitarian Fathers at Silver Spring, Maryland.

Arranged for February publicity on the forthcoming police manual, including a series of three feature articles by the Associated Press, a special New York Times story, editorial comment in Southern newspapers, and so on.

On a trip to New York visited most of the Council's foundation friends and others, as suggested by members of the Executive Committee. The Sidney Hillman Foundation and the Field Foundation, which were among those visited, made appropriations to the Council during January of $1,500 and $2,500, respectively. At Philadelphia discussed with the American Friends Service Committee possibility of assistance to SRC this year.

Prepared and sent to members of the Board minutes of the Board meetings of December 12 and 13. Rough drafts of the minutes of the membership meeting completed.

The survey assistant visited Shreveport, Texarkana, Ruston, and Lafayette in a round of towns which had shown some interest in the survey idea. Reports the Shreveport survey nearly completed. Texarkana and Lafayette are possibilities. Interviewed numerous SRC friends in New Orleans also. Trip paid for with proceeds of 1951 grant from NCCJ.

Wrote to various sizeable annual contributors to SRC and requested early help in 1952.

Sent out to Board members and various other SRC friends mimeod copies of McCray's editorial in The Lighthouse and Informer of January 19, praising results of Greenville's survey.

Corresponded with director of Department of Human Relations at University of Miami on forthcoming article from him for New South.

Commissioned to the binder's three presentation volumes of New South, covering the six years of Paul Williams' presidency.

Sent to American Friends Service Committee condensed financial report for 1951.

Visited Board member A. W. Mitchell at Petersburg, Virginia, and requested his further assistance in raising funds.

Reported to Channing Tobias, of Phelps-Stokes Fund, on the action of Negro friends in Atlanta in raising in excess of $1,000 for us in the later part of 1951.

A Negro Council member in South Georgia wrote in that title to a city lot and a farm had been stolen from her. Could we help? In conjunction with Georgia Interracial Committee arranged for investigation by attorney.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for January 1952

INCOME

Contributions from Individuals	921.39	
Contributions from Organizations	50.00	
Houston Area CIO Council $25.00		
Alabama CIO Union Council 25.00		
Contribution from Church Group	250.00	
Board of Missions of Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.		
Contribution from Foundation	300.00	
Marion R. Ascoli Fund		
Members Dues	302.00	
New South Subscriptions	28.50	
Sale of Misc. Literature	62.15	
Work on Negro Year Book for Tuskeegee	150.00	
Honoraria	49.22	
Travel refunds	36.92	
Sale of office supplies	11.64	
Postage	1.84	
		$2,163.66
Loan from Special Accounts to meet payroll*		1,000.00
Total deposits for month		$ 3,163.66

EXPENSE

Salaries	$ 2550.59	2083.32
Social Security (cost to Council)	13.49	
Travel	136.71	99.79
Rent	130.00	
Telephone & Telegraph (two months)	123.69	
Postage	67.50	65.66
Insurance (bond)	31.24	
Books and subscriptions	2.55	
Office supplies	1.22	10.42 over
Georgia sales tax	.57	
Bank charge	.20	
Total expense		$ 2,929.06

* Repaid Feb. 6, 1952

SRC-Finance report for January 1952

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AS OF JANUARY 31, 1952

Travel (Board members to Annual meeting)	$ 410.32	
Atlanta Envelope Co.	68.14	
Pitney Bowes Mailing Mach.	23.22	
Tidwell Co.	.57	
Gershon Printing Co.	8.35	
Elliott Address. Mach. Co.	5.29	
Western Union	5.64	
Ivan-A. Marshall Co.	3.86	
Office Supply Co.	10.16	
Telephone Co.	26.51	
New York Times	6.25	
		$ 568.31
Due to State Divisions		
Alabama	10.50	
Florida	30.50	
Kentucky	14.50	
Louisiana	3.00	
Mississippi	47.00	
N. O. Comm.	28.50	
N. Carolina	13.00	
S. Carolina	96.50	
		$ 243.50
		$ 811.81

INCOME AND EXPENSE FOR SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Receipts for New South Account
From Field Foundation $2,500.00

Expense from New South Account
Stein Printing Co. $231.85

Expense from N.C.C.J. Grant for travel to promote Home Town Self-Survey

Anna Holden - trip to Shreveport, Texarkana, Ruston, New Orleans $ 124.58

NOTE: At a meeting of its Board in January, the Sidney Hillman Foundation appropriated to SRC $1,500. (Received Feb. 5th.)

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, FEBRUARY, 1952

Harold Fleming attended the Annual Meeting of the Alabama Division of SRC and presented the police pamphlet to the membership there. Mrs. Tilly also attended and spoke on the program of the Fellowship of the Concerned.

Advised a representative of the American Friends Service Committee on the possibility of their establishing a job opportunities program in the Atlanta area.

An Alabama minister has to make a talk on civil rights in Alabama to a youth group in a large city. Needs material for speech, quick.

Suggested that well-known writer write article on Atlanta sub-standard house improvement program for national magazine. He said he would think about it.

Conferred at New York with officials of American Jewish Committee on furthering plans for Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law.

Explored Avalon Foundation in New York, suggested by a South Carolina member as interested in our type of work. They convinced me that we "do not come within scope", etc.

Commissioned at the binder's three presentation volumes of NEW SOUTH covering the six years of Paul Williams' presidency.

George Mitchell and Harold Fleming each spent some time with a reporter from the Birmingham News sent out to get the story on Negro police in three typical Southern cities. Excellent accounts were subsequently printed in the Birmingham paper.

The Georgia Negro Teachers are wiring the Governor asking that he appoint several Negroes to a new commission to make a one-year study of Georgia schools. What other groups could we get to wire or press similarly? Worked on two groups.

Participated in a planning session with Atlanta organizational leaders to devise steps toward securing an interracial mayor's advisory committee.

Addressed student groups at Centenary and the senior class at Booker T. Washington High School, Shreveport, Louisiana. Conferred with various groups in Shreveport on progress of the Community self-survey there.

The Council was host on February 22 to a meeting of people representing various agencies in this general field to discuss the growth of tension and violence in the South. A fruitful meeting, going carefully into matters of housing and of law enforcement. The same group will meet again in mid-May, probably in Birmingham. No formal links between the organizations -- merely co-ordination. Persons were present from the Urban League, the NAACP, the National Council of Churches of Christ, the YWCA, Federal Housing offices, Catholic Committee of the South, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, etc. Invitations had gone out to representatives of four or five other organizations.

Mrs. Tilly, in a Virginia tour, talked to two meetings arranged by the Norfolk Women's Interracial Committee; at Richmond appeared at Virginia Union University, and at the Synagogue; at Fredericksburg talked at Mary Washington College (twice) and at an evening church gathering; and at Charlottesville addressed two local interracial gatherings and spoke at the handsome new Negro high school.

A clergyman in another city hears of reluctance on the part of white doctors to agree to racial policies of the hospital staff. Arranged for helpful, local advice.

At the request of a Southern editor, compiled a list of newspapers in the region now using Mrs. with names of Negro women, the list to be used by the editor in support of that practice in his own newspaper.

Continued to meet and plan with the committee on employment opportunities in defense industries in Atlanta area.

Two hundred new publications lists have been printed and are being distributed.

Furnished Mrs. Tilly with reply cards for church women to report on their visits to their sheriff or chief of police to give him RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Furnished New Orleans Committee with complete list of SRC members in New Orleans and date of their last dues payment.

A trustee of a theological institution which is considering opening its doors to Negro students asked by letter for advice on how to overcome objections offered by some trustees. Sent him some.

The survey assistant participated in a discussion on rehabilitating the rural community at the annual meeting of the Council of Southern Mountain Workers, in Gatlinburg, Tenn. She also visited persons interested in the self-survey in Kingsport and Johnson City, Tenn.

Two members of the staff attended a special seminar at Atlanta University on "Techniques of Social Engineering and Methods of Community Planning", conducted by Dr. Carolyn Ware of Howard University.

Attended in New York meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials; later in Atlanta helped revise the draft of an appeal from NAIRO to the Ford Foundation for funds.

Attended three-day meeting at Harriman, New York, on invitation of American Assembly to discuss student deferment in the present emergency period.

Day-long conference with a South African visitor.

The Arkansas Division met late in February and elected as chairman the Rev. Louis Beers, minister in the Christian Church.

A Florida member had asked for any information available to us on the recent violence in her State. Sent her material.

Began arrangements to get a poll of heads of student government on campuses with both white and Negro students.

Theology student at Yale wants leads on tactics followed by ministers in integrating churches.

An interracial club at Columbia Univ. proposes a summer trip to Columbia, S. C. Wants advice.

A North Carolina college president needed information about an Atlanta Foundation.

Sent RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT to each Southern governor.

Advice to President Marion Wright in preparation of material for a debate.

Notified J. Edgar Hoover of our use of a quote from him in RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Wrote to William C. Whitney Foundation asking for a renewed grant in 1952.

Wrote a distinguished Negro Mississippian asking for help toward the proposed Commission on Equal Penalties.

Somebody needed to know what nursing schools would admit Negro students. Sent the list.

On behalf of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT, we wrote at length to Bishop Walls in Chicago, Bishop Bowen in New Orleans, Mrs. E. U. Robinson of the Women's Society of Christian Service, Southeastern Jurisdiction, the heads of seven or eight State Teachers' Associations (Negro teachers), the president of the National Association of Negro Life Insurance Companies, the president of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, the president and the secretary of the National Baptist Convention, Bishop W. Y. Bell, six or seven leading newspaper editors, a few friendly members of the House and Senate of the U. S. Congress, various individuals and organizations who customarily contribute to the Council, the Commission on Community Organizations of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, appropriate officials of various of our own State Divisions, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Journal of Criminal Law, Criminology, and Political Science, the director of the Southern Police Institute, the Department of Christian Social Relations of the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., the American Missionary Association, the Northern Presbyterians.

Thus far, the following have bought the pamphlet:

Bishop S. L. Green, AME Church, Atlanta - 175
Southeastern Intercouncil Office, National Council of Churches - 100
Bishop J.W.E. Bowen, Methodist Church, Central Jurisdiction - 100
Anti-Defamation League of B'Nai B'rith - 667
Social Service Commission, Southern Baptist Convention - 25
American Friends Service Committee, Race Relations Program - 80
Department of Christian Social Relations, National Council of Protest Episcopal Church - 200
Department of Interracial Cooperation, Virginia Council of Churches - 320
North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co. - 100
Georgia Teachers and Education Association - 500
Catholic Committee of the South - 1,000
Urban League of Kansas City, Mo. - 12
Rev. George J. Flanigan, Chattanooga, Tenn. - 32
Texas Commission on Race Relations - 260
Georgia Interracial Committee - 167
North Carolina Division, SRC - 200

South Carolina Division, SRC - 100
Mississippi Division, SRC - 300
Alabama Division, SRC - 500
Louisiana Division, SRC - 200
Kentucky Division, SRC - 150

TOTAL - 5,188

Total paid block order distribution, February 29 - $778.20

In addition, the Council has supplied the Fellowship of the Concerned with 1,500 copies free of charge and has sent 180 to the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials for free distribution to its members.

For the Methodist Church, the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Southeastern Jurisdiction, undertook in late February to make distribution of the pamphlet an official part of their program. They are arranging for local committees to carry the pamphlet to the sheriff in every county in Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Virginia.

Mrs. Tilly has arranged through the appropriate national board of the Methodist Church for similar distribution to be undertaken in Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Texas.

The Southern Presbyterians, through their Board of Women's Work, have adopted the use of the pamphlet as a part of their program, and will feature it in the July, 1952 issue of their magazine. Additional orders are expected from various trade unions and from the Arkansas Division of the Council, and by arrangement, perhaps, from Tennessee. The first printing was 8,000 copies, and we have got well into the second printing of 8,000.

Among the organizations whose original orders or whose gifts contributed substantially to the publication of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT were: The Anti-Defamation League; Men's Club of Plymouth Congregational Church, Detroit, Michigan; the Alabama Division of the Council; and the Field Foundation, which indicated that a portion of its 1952 grant might be used for this purpose.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for February 1952

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$ 718.98	
Contributions from Organizations	125.00	
Guilford County, N.C. Interracial Com. $25.00		
United Jewish Appeal, Columbia, S. C. $100.00		
Contributions from Churches	120.00	
Friendship Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga. - $20.00		
Plymouth Congregational Church, Detroit, Mich. $100.00		
Contributions from Foundations	1,800.00	
Sidney Hillman Found. $1500.		
Edgar Stern Family Fund - $300.		
Members dues	607.00	
New South Subscriptions	18.50	
Misc. Literature Sales	123.83	
Misc. receipts	4.54	
		$3,517.85
Borrowed from Special Funds		500.00
TOTAL		$4,017.85

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	1,937.49	
Social Security (cost to Council)	33.57	
Travel	804.33	
Office supplies	93.19 88.65	
Postage	82.36	
Rent	130.00	
Special Services	12.33	
Books & subscriptions	10.99	
Insurance	9.00	
Binding of New South	15.00	
Georgia Sales Tax	.34	
Bank charge	.45	
		$3,129.05
To repay loan from Special Accounts for January 31 payroll		1,000.00
TOTAL		$ 4,129.05

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

For "Race and Law Enforcement"

North Carolina Division, SRC	30.00	
South Carolina Division, SRC	15.00	
Mississippi Division, SRC	30.00	
Alabama Division, SRC	75.00	
Kentucky Division, SRC	22.50	
Georgia Interracial Committee	25.00	
Texas Com. on Race Relations	39.00	
N.C. Mutual Life Ins. Co.	15.00	
Catholic Committee of the South	100.00	
American Friends Service Committee	12.00	
Natn'l Council, Protestant Episcopal Ch.	30.00	
		$ 393.50
Travel advance, G. S. Mitchell	103.00	
" " G. S. Mitchell	60.00	
		163.00
From Georgia Committee on Interracial Cooperation		
For New South Subscriptions	47.00	
For office supplies	8.21	
		55.21
TOTAL		$ 611.71

Cash on hand for printer's bill on "Race and Law Enforcement" - $160.00

Accounts payable, February 29, 1952

K. Stoney, salary	145.83	
Stein Printing Company	360.53	
Southern Bell Tel. Co.	84.73	
Gershon Printing Co. (letterheads)	125.40	
Gershon Office Supply	12.52	
Pitney-Bowes Co.	22.37	
Elliott Addressing Machine Co.	10.86	
Office Supply Co.	34.45	
Tidwell Co.	11.81	
Ivan Allen-Marshall Co.	7.72	
Columbia Ribbon & Carbon Co.	5.67	
Georgia Sales Tax	6.21	
Social Security (cost to Council)	29.05	
		857.15

Due to State Divisions

Ala.	$112.00	Miss.	$61.00
Ark.	6.00	N.O. Com.	42.00
Fla.	68.00	N.C.	20.50
Ky.	29.50	S.C.	99.50
La.	6.00		

444.50

Due to Special Accounts 500.00
(borrowed for Feb. 29 payroll)

TOTAL $ 1,801.65

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, MARCH, 1952

RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Through a persuasive Washington friend, undertook to get RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT used by the International Association of Chiefs of Police. The Association agreed to review the pamphlet in its journal, and will consider distribution of the pamphlet at a forthcoming meeting.

The first use of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT as a guide to a local police survey has been carried out in Gainesville, Georgia, under the sponsorship of the GAINESVILLE DAILY TIMES. Full results of the survey printed by the newspaper.

Additional block sales of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT in March:

Students at Alabama State Teachers College - 150
Students at Morehouse College - 100
Students at Tuskegee Institute - 200
Students at Fisk University - 32
Tougaloo (Mississippi) College - 20
Alabama State Teachers Association - 150
National Baptist Convention - 100
CIO Department of Research and Education - 500
New Jersey Division Against Discrimination - 100
Arkansas Division, SRC - 300
Tennessee Division - 150
North Carolina Division - 200 (shipped)
W. S. Devall, Sr., Baton Rouge - 100
Rev. R. A. Daly, Montgomery, Alabama - 20
Rev. O. R. Flournoy, Montgomery - 15

Groups requested to buy RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT:

Kentucky Negro Education Association
Albany (Georgia) State College
Kentucky State College
University of North Carolina
Louisiana Colored Teachers Association
Louisiana Baptist Convention (with help of Dr. Benjamin E. Mays and Rev. William Holmes Borders)
Louisiana Sunday School Congress (with help of Dr. Mays and Rev. Borders)
American Missionary Association
Bethune-Cookman College (through kindness of Mrs. Herbert Davidson)
South Carolina State College at Orangeburg (through kindness of Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie)
Florida State Teachers Association (throughkindness of Miss Emily Clay)
Dillard University
Louisiana Southern University
Bennett College
Guilford College
Jackson College
University of Tennessee
North Carolina Negro Teachers Association (through kindness of Mrs. Janet Crittendon)

Texas State University
Hampton Institute
Le Moyne College
Palmetto State Teachers Association
Virginia State College
Prairie View (Texas) A&M College
Grambling (Louisiana) College
AME Church (Bishop Clayborn), Memphis
AME Zion Church (Bishop Walls, again), Chicago
American Council on Human Rights

Sent Maxwell Hahn, of Field Foundation, report on distribution of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT. (Publication was assisted by Field Foundation.)

Thanked Rev. Almon R. Pepper, of the Department of Christian Social Relations, National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, for his kindness in running an excellent notice of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT in March-April issue of CHURCHWAYS.

SELF-SURVEY

Distributed a questionnaire to all persons who have ordered the self-survey manual. Returns reveal its use in teaching programs, small local surveys, and community planning heretofore unknown to us.

Anna Holden late in the month went to North Carolina for a round-up of towns and people who have shown interest in the self-survey.

George Mitchell visited Jackson County, Florida, in company with Professor John Boynton of Florida State University, to see the self-survey program in Jackson County at work.

Block orders of survey manual during month:

University of North Carolina - 25
Tuskegee Institute - 60
Florida State University - 50
University of Louisville - 35, plus 35 GREENVILLE'S BIG IDEA

INFORMATION SUPPLIED

Staff assisted over a three-day period a writer commissioned by the READER'S DIGEST to prepare an article on segregation in the South.

Cooperated with local YWCA in arranging for visiting German trade union youth worker to see education and industry in Atlanta.

Displayed and sold SRC literature at the annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society held in Atlanta March 28-29. Three staff members attended.

"Thesis information" sent to students in Albany; Washington; Skokie, Illinois; New Haven, Connecticut; Swarthmore, Pennsylvania; Emory University.

Supplied information on Negro police in response to chief of police in Tallahassee, Florida.

Supplied lengthy information to the Hon. Brooks Hays for a speech on Negro progress in the South.

Arranged for forthcoming NEW SOUTH article on breakdown of segregation in Kentucky.

FUND RAISING

Wrote three of the unions who have helped us in the past and asked speedy aid.

Requested renewed grant from the small Chicago foundation which has helped us for the last several years.

Alfred Mynders assisted in urging one of the unions to renew support this year.

Sent copies of 1951 audit to various foundations and individuals who had helped the Council that year.

MISCELLANEOUS

George Mitchell went to Memphis to a CIO Workers' Education Conference, to New Orleans a couple of weeks later to an AF of L one, and to Augusta for the annual (Statewide) Student Conference at Paine College. On the New Orleans trip, he stopped at the home of Rabbi Charles Mantinband, lately moved to Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Issued call for May 15 meeting in Birmingham for the coordinating group that first met here February 22. Took part in planning a comprehensive statement on extra-legal violence, to be issued by the group, and undertook to prepare in detail several sections of the statement.

Wrote and thanked Dwight Palmer, General Cables Corporation, New York, for excellent, full-page ad in various Southern papers promoting employment on merit.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Finance Report for March 1952

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$ 100.60
Contributions from Organizations	133.26
Contributions from Church Groups	275.00
Members Dues	634.00
New South Subscriptions	58.00
Sale of Misc. Literature	440.80
Postage paid on Literature sold	9.01
From Georgia Committee for stationary and supplies	26.08
Reimbursement for Executive Directors' travel	254.83
Loan from Special Funds	125.00
Total Receipts	$ 2,056.58

DISBURSEMENTS

	Salaries		$ 974.99
	Travel		71.41
	Postage		48.50
	Telephone & Telegraph		90.37
	To State Divisions		
	Florida	21.00	
	New Orleans Com.	23.50	
	S. C.	47.50	
	Mississippi	42.50	
			134.50
Soci	Social Security (cost to Council)		29.05
	Books & subscriptions		5.20
	Georgia Sales Tax		6.03
	Bank charge		.90
	Repaid to Special Funds (loan for Feb. payroll)		500.00
	Total disbursements		$ 1,860.95

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AS OF MARCH 31, 1952

Salaries			
	George S. Mitchell	$ 525.00	
	Harold C. Fleming	208.33	
	Katherine Stoney	145.83	
	Anna Holden	125.00	
	Emily Calhoun	100.00	
	Mrs. M. E. Tilly	100.00	
	Adella R. Shields	50.00	1,254.16
Wesley Memorial Building, rent			130.00
Travel			
	Marion A. Wright (travel & steno)	77.70	
	Charles S. Johnson	60.66	138.36
Lyle E. Campbell, (1951 audit)			75.00
Office Supplies			
	Mimeograph Co.	14.68	
	Columbia Ribbon & Carbon	5.67	
	Office Supply Co.	34.45	
	Ivan A Marshall Co.	7.72	
	Elliott Addressing Machine	16.34	
	Tidwell Co.	29.31	
	Gershon Printing & Office Supply Co.	146.27	
	Pitney-Bowes Co.	22.37	276.81
Atlanta Envelope Co.			117.67
Stein Printing Co.			560.95
Southern Bell Tel. & Tel. Co.			65.70
Due to Special Funds (loan)			125.00
Due to State Divisions			
	Alabama	$ 129.50	
	Arkansas	39.00	
	Florida	70.50	
	Kentucky	42.50	
	Louisiana	17.00	
	Mississippi	28.00	
	New Orleans Com.	35.50	
	North Carolina	50.00	
	South Carolina	88.50	500.50
	Total Accounts Payable		$ 3,244.15

Special Projects - Receipts and Disbursements during March

Receipts -
Payment of loan to Operating Fund $500.00

Disbursements *
Fellowship of the Concerned, salary & postage $47.39
New South - Stein Printing Co. $160.00 - Loan to Operating Fund $125.00
NCCJ Travel Project - G.S. Mitchell, trip to Shreveport, La. $45.00
Anna Holden, trip to N. C. $100.00

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, APRIL, 1952

RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Block Sales

Wheat Street Baptist Church (Rev. W. H. Borders), Atlanta - 200
YWCA National Board, Atlanta - 160
The Bookshop (YWCA Publications), New York - 10
American Missionary Association, Congregational Churches - 10
Jewish Community Relations Council, St. Louis - 15
Board of Community Relations, Buffalo, N. Y. - 15
Lincoln Foundation, Louisville - 200
AME Church (Bishop F. M. Reid), Columbia - 100
NAACP, South Carolina Conference Branches - 100
Mr. A. T. Butler, Columbia - 20
Students at Bethune-Cookman College - 75
Women's Council of Richland County, S. C. - 50
American Nurses' Association - 60
Fisk University Race Relations Institute - 180
National Council of Negro Women, Region IV - 70
Single copies sold to the following libraries:
- University of Michigan
- San Jose, California, Public Library
- University of Bridgeport (Connecticut)
- University of Denver
- Columbia University
- Grand Rapids, Michigan, Public Library
- Highland Park, Michigan, Junior College
- Aurora, Illinois, Public Library
- Yonkers, New York, Public Library
- Louisiana State University
- Furman University
- University of Arkansas
- Pacific University, Forest Grove, Oregon
- Albany State College, Albany, Georgia
- Ball State Teachers College, Muncie, Indiana

Promotion Efforts

The general secretary of the American Missionary Association writes that he has sent a copy of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT to the head of each of the AMA colleges, calling his attention to our suggestion that the colleges help distribute it.

Wrote the head of the Association of Jeanes Teachers in each of our States, asking that the Associations buy copies.

Emily Clay, by request, went to see the head of the Florida State Teachers Association, who lives near her, and urged him to get a stack.

SELF-SURVEYS

The Greenville Community Council has prepared a remarkable new summary of achievements since their survey three years ago. We obtained some copies and sent them out to twenty-odd people most interested in survey matters.

Survey assistant went to Jackson County, Florida, to observe and advise the self-survey project visited by the executive director in March. People conducting the survey needed national figures on school expenditures per pupil. Supplied.

Persons planning a Birmingham survey wanted technical information. Sent.

Survey assistant went to Gastonia, Charlotte, Greensboro, Chapel Hill, Raleigh, Rocky Mount, Wake Forest, Durham, and Goldsboro, North Carolina, to encourage the self-survey idea.

SPEECH-MAKING

Executive Director

April 15, student chapter of the NAACP, Morehouse College. April 16, annual conference of the Outdoor Apostolate, Columbia, South Carolina. April 26, annual conference of Region IV (lower South States) of the National Council of Negro Women.

Mrs. Tilly

April 4-6, meeting of leaders in various national women's organizations, called by Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune in Daytona Beach. April 25-26, student retreat, Birmingham Southern College. Spoke to classes at Emory University and Wesleyan College. Held annual meetings of the Georgia Interracial Committee in Atlanta and Macon. Spoke on behalf of the Fellowship of the Concerned to area meetings of the Woman's Society of Christian Service (Methodist) in Goldsboro, North Carolina, and Macon, Georgia.

TRAVEL

Executive director went to Philadelphia for conference with Mr. William E. Cadbury. Discussions in Washington on same trip with various people about RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT and on slum housing problems.

ORGANIZATION MATTERS

Various efforts to get the Louisiana Division to show life.

Head of the Rock Hill Chapter checked his membership list with ours.

All State Divisions paid up to date.

FUND RAISING

Turned down for '52 by William C. Whitney Foundation, but hope offered for '53.

Request to an influential New York acquaintance to help us with a couple of the unions before whose next Board meetings we will have requests.

Plans a making for a gathering of Washington friends of SRC who might assist financially.

VISITORS

Spent most of a day with one from South Africa. Ditto a Swede and his wife.

INFORMATION WANTED

A Los Angeles doctor needs statistics on lynching and racial violence.

A rabbi in Johannesburg, South Africa, asks how he can subscribe to NEW SOUTH.

Winter Park is trying for Negro police. Send dope.

A Southern seminary needs information on colleges and schools in South open to both races.

The president of a Negro land grant college came by the office on his way to a Southwide meeting to discuss fusion of two college associations. Wanted copies of two relevant issues of NEW SOUTH.

Leading Southern Presbyterian woman called. She has charge of preparing program for a section of Presbyterian women's work for the coming month. Suggestions wanted on what to stress.

The New York office of the Girl Scouts wants to know where, in five particular Southern States, they can hold two-day interracial conferences.

Criticism requested in plans of National Scholarship Service and Fund for Negro Students to assist in integrating higher education in the South.

Former head of Mississippi Division wishes names of chiefs of police in ten cities employing Negro policemen.

A law professor at Emory University needs references on the law and discrimination.

Student at Hollins College wants to know things she can do.

Some woman at Yale who is helping a man write a book needs to know, quick quick, the name of a person in each Southern State with whom she can check on size of Negro vote. Sent her such names.

Man from the National Fraternal Council of Churches needs answers to five rather difficult questions on relative progress of Negro, North and South. Did our best.

MISCELLANEOUS

Nigerian student needs a scholarship loan to get his buddy over here from Liberia. Negotiations under way.

The Georgia white student for whose attendance at last summer's Institute of African Studies at Northwestern University the Council obtained assistance has now been offered a minor teaching job at the Native College in Fort Hare, South Africa. Can we help him get some travel money to get over there? Trying.

Minutes of the annual membership meeting were read and approved by Miss Lucy Mason, Mr. John Morrow, and Mr. Lewis Jones.

Assisted a committee of local civic leaders in working out a detailed prospectus of an official committee on human relations, to be presented to the mayor of Atlanta at an early date.

Circularized various institutions in order to find out for NEW SOUTH publication where summer institutes on human relations will be held this year.

During the month the Council gained three members and lost five (two deaths and three resignations).

A most valuable contribution to the Council was two weeks' work on the files, done by Alice Clifford, niece of the executive director. Due to her efforts, the files are now up to date and in perfect order for the first time in several years.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance Report for April, 1952

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals		$ 2,324.00
(Mr. & Mrs. John Hay Whitney - $2,000.)		
Contributions from Churches		1,225.00
National Council, Protestant Episcopal Church	$ 1,000.	
Board of Home Missions, Presbyterian Church in U.S.	200.	
WSCW, Glenn Memorial Methodist Church	25.00	
Contributions from Organizations		1,050.00
United Steelworkers of America, CIO	$ 1,000.00	
United Rubber Workers of America - CIO	50.00	
Members Dues		443.00
New South Subscriptions		6.00
Sale of Misc. Literature		276.34
Travel reimbursement		94.10
Postage reimbursement		18.90
Misc. receipts		7.26
Total receipts		$ 5,444.60

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries (Including unpaid March amounts)	$ 3,337.48
Social Security (cost to Council)	13.09
Travel	238.10 144.00
Office Supplies	413.57 406.31
Postage	78.12 57.52
Printing	300.52
Telephone & Telegraph	100.97
Special Services	22.12
Books & subscriptions	4.90
Rent (2 months)	260.00
Georgia Sales Tax	1.12
Audit for 1951	75.00
Luncheon (for March 7 Exec. Com. meeting)	9.72
Bank exchange charges	.40
To repay loan from Special Accounts	125.00
Paid to State Divisions	506.50
Total disbursements	$5,486.61

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Stein Printing Co.	656.42
Telephone Co.	20.14
Office Supply Co.	4.95
Tidwell Co.	17.06
Elliott Addressing Machine Co.	2.85
Due to State Divisions (for April 1952)	98.50
Total	$ 789.92

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Receipts;	For Fellowship of the Concerned		$10.00
Disbursements;	Fellowship of the Concerned,		
	Postage & salary of steno.	48.00	
	Travel, Mrs. Tilly	44.10	92.10
	NCCJ Travel Fund		
	Travel, A. Holden		14.69

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, MAY, 1952

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Mrs. Tilly spoke on Race and Law Enforcement before the Virginia Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church.

George Mitchell made a report from the South to the May 20 meeting in New York of the National Committee against Discrimination in Housing.

Classroom talks at Emory and Georgia Tech.

George Mitchell addressed luncheon meeting of the Hungry Club in Atlanta. Talk will be published in forthcoming issue of Phylon. Title, "Cities of Shacks, Dixie Today."

MEETINGS ATTENDED

Board of Directors, Atlanta Urban League.

Harold Fleming participated as a resource person in a public relations institute sponsored by the Atlanta Community Chest and Council and the Social Workers Club.

BIRMINGHAM MEETING, MAY 15

George Mitchell, Harold Fleming, and Mrs. Tilly attended Southwide meeting of agencies interested in human relations. The Council helped to prepare a statement discussed by the meeting on "Blighted Housing and Bomb Violence." Next meeting arranged for October. Topic, "Use of Race Prejudice in Political Campaigns." Herman Long, of the Race Relations Institute at Fisk University, was asked to collect material during the summer and serve as convener of the October meeting. The Council did the inviting to the May meeting, most of the minute-taking, the mailing, and the thanking.

TRAVEL

George Mitchell--Inman, S. C., Washington, New York, and Philadelphia.

Mrs. Tilly--Virginia, Birmingham, as above.

POLICE

Efforts to find a suitable candidate to attend a ten-day training session on the police and racial tensions at the University of Chicago Law School in mid-July.

The CIO Committee on Human Rights at Dallas, Texas, wanted full information on Negro police. Sent it.

Charlottesville, Virginia, needed information on police. Sent.

Sheriff of San Bernadino County, California, wrote, asking if it would be possible to secure a copy of Race and Law Enforcement. Sent him one for free.

FOREIGN VISITORS

Took Dr. Wilhelm Menn, of the Ecumenical Center in Frankfort, Germany, on a tour of nearby rural churches.

Lengthy sessions with Alexander Campbell, correspondent for South Africa of Time Magazine.

STUDENT MATTERS

Assisted in raising transportation loan for Victor B. Kotun, Nigerian student who will attend Morehouse College next year.

Advice to another Morehouse student as candidate for a major scholarship.

RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Block Sales

NAACP, District of Columbia Branch - 15
Florida State Teachers Association - 160
Denver, Colorado, Department of Human Relations - 25
CME Church (Bishop W. Y. Bell) - 500

Sales to Libraries

University of Arkansas - 6
Chicago Public Library - 2
University of Kansas - 1
Stephens College - 3
Mississippi State College - 1

INFORMATION WANTED

Head of the South Carolina League of Women Voters wrote the Council asking for reprints of Marion Wright's speech, Making Democracy Work in South Carolina, to be used by the League in their fight against a constitutional amendment which would repeal the provision in the South Carolina constitution that the State must provide free education for children between the ages of 6 and 18. Sent the League 350 copies, for free.

For a local agency advised closely and at length on public position to be taken anent the city's new Metropolitan Planning Program as it would affect the Negro population.

A young woman at the University of Arkansas wanted to know how to get a chapter of SRC going.

Sent lengthy information to New York organization interested in surveys.

Query from Florida: Does the National Spelling Bee admit Negro contestants? Inquiry under way.

MISCELLANEOUS

Negotiations toward obtaining acceptance of Board membership of an A. F. of L. official in Kentucky.

Further negotiations toward completion of pamphlet on farm land tenure in the South.

George Mitchell reviewed for the North Carolina Law Review Charles Mangum's new book, The Legal Status of the Tenant Farmer.

Various arrangements for getting dues to be paid by members delinquent for two years.

Certain dues payments, long held by one of the State Divisions, were at last snuggled in.

Wrote commendatory letter for Urban League official about to be translated northward.

Efforts to find employment for a Negro friend of a local editor.

Arrangements for Anna Holden to attend July meeting at Blue Ridge of Southern social work agency people.

Helped plan a statement opposing appeals to race or religious prejudice in political campaigns, the statement to be submitted to a number of Statewide organizations for their official endorsement.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for May 1952

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals		$ 104.00
Contributions from Organizations		525.00
Tulane Univ. Student Body	$25.00	
I.L.G.W.U.	500.00	
Contributions from Foundations		10,000.00
Anonymously through American Friends Service Committee		
Members Dues		778.50
New South Subscriptions		9.00
Sale of Misc. Literature		128.25
Honorarium		7.66
Sale of Equipment		18.00
Transfer of funds (See Spec. Accts.)		11.22
Refund from Postmaster on permit		49.18
Postage refunds from literature sold		1.26
Total receipts		11,632.07

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 2,083.32
Social Security (cost to Council)	51.44
Travel	174.89
Rent	130.00
Office Supplies	112.25
Postage	~~31.66~~ 18.78
Printing	656.42
Telephone & Telegraph	63.80
Steno. services for Pres.	17.91
Albert Cotton on Sharecropper pamphlet	180.00
Books & subscriptions	23.64
Georgia Sales Tax	.75
Bank Exchange	1.10
Paid to State Divisions	99.00
Total Disbursements	3,626.18

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR MAY 31, 1952

Southern Bell Tel. Co.	$ 31.08
Elliott Addressing Co.	1.91
Pitney Bowes Co.	22.37
Tidwell Co.	11.39
Office Supply Co.	4.76
Due to State Divisions (for May)	184.00
Total	$ 255.51

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Fellowship of the Concerned			
Balance May 1,			278.83
Travel, Mrs. Tilly	83.97		
Postage & steno	26.00		109.97
		Bal. June 1	$ 168.86
New South Appropriation			
Bal. May 1			$ 1,783.70
Stein Printers	$ 394.40		
Postage	35.00		429.40
		Bal. June 1,	1,354.30

National Sharecroppers Fund - Balance of $11.22 trans to General Fund

N.C.C.J. Travel Fund - Bal May 1 $ 92.63
A. Holden - Conf fee 8.00
$ 84.63

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, JUNE, 1952

DEBT TO MR. BYRD

The Council met in full, minus some small reduction of interest, its note to Thomas F. Byrd for $3,950, which matured June 30. Thus, a longstanding and burdensome debt has been extinguished.

MEETINGS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Mrs. Tilly has by now attended, in person or by deputy, the Virginia and Western North Carolina conferences of the Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Kentucky Area Conference, which included representatives from Kentucky and surrounding States.

Mrs. Tilly spoke at the Methodist Young People's Conference near Dahlonega, Georgia.

George Mitchell addressed the University of Miami's Institute of Human Relations and two classes at Orangeburg State College. He attended a two-day public affairs clinic at Emory University.

Conferred with visiting official of Anti-Defamation League re general progress of race relations in the South.

SRC ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

At Marion Wright's direction, constituted a committee of Leonard Haas, John Griffin, and Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie to review salary scale of SRC employees.

The executive director explored in South Carolina and Florida the personnel available for paid State staff in the event that the Council should have money for the State Divisions to engage such people.

Wrote almost 200 letters to members long delinquent in dues payments, asking them to pay up.

On a personal visit, secured the acceptance of Judge L. E. Thomas of Miami, who last December was elected as a member of the Board of Directors of the Council.

STUDENT MATTERS

The anthropologist (white) whom we assisted to attend the Institute of African Studies at Northwestern last summer, was offered a teaching position at the Native College at Fort Hare, South Africa. Needed travel money to get there. Arrangements begun last month were completed through the good offices of various friends. The Carnegie Foundation donated plane fare for the young man and his wife, plus transportation of personal effects and a small allowance for professional materials. He was to fly from New York July 3.

The Nigerian student arrived whose passage various of us had helped with. Rotary Educational Foundation of Atlanta covered his travel expense New Orleans-Atlanta and advanced him travel money to his job at Rochester. Our office saw him through Social Security for his S.S. card. Capable appearing young man.

A white college student in Atlanta has made the acquaintance of a Negro high school boy of exceptional artistic talent. How can he get the young man's work appraised and line up a college scholarship for him? Helped arrange both.

SELF-SURVEYS

Inquiries re possible surveys from Tampa Urban League and various interested individuals in Ocala.

President Wright continued his series of letters to State Leagues of Municipalities, urging their attention to the method of the home town self-survey.

RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Statements from church women in the following counties have been received, saying that they have visited their sheriff and presented him with a copy of Race and Law Enforcement:

Georgia--Upson, Seminole, Clinch, Dougherty
Kentucky--Jefferson
Louisiana--La Fourche
South Carolina--Laurens
Texas--Harris
Virginia--Wise, Fairfax

The July issue of Presbyterian Women carried a notice of Race and Law Enforcement. We arranged to keep track of orders for the Board of Women's Work of the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

Sent to Freedom's Foundation at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, a copy of Race and Law Enforcement and a letter commending it to their consideration in the Foundation's 1952 awards program. They replied they had so entered it.

Block Sales

Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, Tuscaloosa, Ala.	47
Southeastern Section, United Christian Youth Movement, King's Mountain Conference	10

Single Sales to Libraries

United Nations Library
Newark (N. J.) Public Library
Berea College Library
Indiana University Library

INFORMATION REQUESTS

For Marion Wright, obtained some information and arguments re public versus private schools--a warm issue in South Carolina.

At the request of Florida member, research assistant is investigating opportunities for Negro children to participate in Statewide spelling bees in various Southern States.

Sent to member in St. Louis detailed information on practice of Southern newspapers in handling news arising from Negro communities.

Supplied information for author preparing article for national magazine on hopeful trends in race relations in the South.

Ran a check on information that North Carolina Medical Association is now open to Negro doctors. Were informed that Negro doctors are not admitted.

MISCELLANEOUS

Scholarship arrangements completed to send a ranking member of the Atlanta Police Force to the Institute on Police and Racial Tensions, sponsored by the University of Chicago Law School at Chicago for the last two weeks of July. The Council itself paid for a scholarship sent to the Atlanta Police Department by the Institute, and the Atlanta Office of the Anti-Defamation League sent the selected police official a hundred dollars travel money. The chief chose the superintendent of police, who will duly attend the Institute. New Orleans and Atlanta thus far are the only two Southern cities that will be represented.

Re-issued and re-cleared with various organizations the statement on "Blighted Housing and Bomb Violence," as tentatively approved by the Executive Committee, needing the suggestions of Leonard Haas as general counsel.

Sent SRC literature and membership application forms to Race Relations Institute at Fisk University. Also to a summer workshop at the School of Education, Florida State University.

In cooperation with Mr. Herman Long at Fisk University, circulated, on behalf of the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials, some Southerners suitable for membership in NAIRO.

Referred to friends in South Carolina and Arkansas names of promising persons in those States which have reached us.

Made personal visit to Negro woman member of SRC in small Georgia town who wrote in some weeks ago that she had been robbed of farm and city land. Made various proposals for possible adjustment.

President Wright continued his project to have articles on certain aspects of discrimination published in Southern law reviews.

Circularized Southern presidents of local groups of National Council of Negro Women with the minutes of the May 15 meeting in Birmingham.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for June 1952

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$	54.00
Contribution from Organization United Automobile Workers of America - CIO		1,000.00
Contributions from Churches Division of Home Missions, Methodist Church - $250.00 Woman's Auxiliary, Diocese of Florida, Protestant Episcopal Church - $15.00		265.00
Members Dues		298.00
New South Subscriptions		10.00
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature		74.70
Travel refund		5.41
Sale of stationery & supplies		9.52
Misc. receipts		1.58
Total receipts	$	1,718.21

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$	2,084.99	
Social Security (cost to Council)		31.24	
Travel		260.50	355.09
Office Supplies		~~11.39~~	1.87
Postage		~~42.00~~	40.42
Telephone		71.78	
Books & subscriptions		12.90	
Rent		130.00	
Legal Services, F. A. Doughman		15.00	
Police Scholarship Grant		150.00	
Georgia Sales Tax		1.23	
Bank Exchange		.70	
Paid to State Divisions		185.50	
Payment in full of note to Mr. Byrd including Interest		4,000.00	
Total disbursements	$	6,997.23	

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Fellowship of the Concerned		
Paid for Steno services	17.25	
Photo (Race & Law Enforcement) project)	1.50	
Total disbursements		$18.75

New South Appropriation

Postage	$	46.00

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, JULY, 1952

MEETINGS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Mrs. Tilly attended the annual meeting of the Central Jurisdiction Woman's Society of Christian Service in Sumter, S. C., and the Tennessee WSCS Conference.

At the invitation of the Catholic Committee of the South and in connection with their summer institute in New Orleans, George Mitchell addressed five groups of teachers in parochial schools drawn variously from Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas, and in addition addressed the Catholic Committee of the South Institute.

George Mitchell attended a five-day conference in Chicago jointly sponsored by the University of Chicago Committee on Education and Training in Race Relations and the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials. Objective: to intermix in persons and in ideas the research people in race relations and the practitioners. Other Southerners present: Herman Long, Fisk; Fred Routh, Miami; Professor Laviolette, Tulane; Harry Roberts, Virginia State College, Petersburg. Both intermixtures successful.

Broadcast in Chicago over Station WIND on "Race Relations in the South" and the meeting of the Chicago Study Group.

Anna Holden attended a conference at Blue Ridge, N. C., of Community Chest officers and there interviewed various Southern social work people re the method of a self-survey.

INFORMATION REQUESTS

Queried a Virginia member as to whether election of a Negro to an office in the Virginia Academy of Science marked the opening of that association. Inquiries were made as to similar organizations in several other Southern States.

Anna Holden sent out a questionnaire to many Southern cities re employment of Negro firemen. Results thus far: 9 cities employ a total of 89 Negro firemen, including 10 officers.

Further explorations of the great spelling bee mystery.

Supplied a citizens' group in Kansas City with material on local civil rights laws and ordinances for use in their current program.

Advised the Atlanta Branch of the NAACP on white persons locally who might suitably serve on their Executive Committee.

SRC ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

The sub-committee of the Executive Committee appointed to review staff salaries met and reported. Prescribed suitable new scale "when funds available."

The office mailed out about 200 individual letters to people delinquent in dues.

Executive Director took two weeks annual leave--mostly painting gutters. Emily Calhoun ditto annual leave.

RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Arranged for notice of Race and Law Enforcement in the Central Christian Advocate (Methodist), published in New Orleans.

Visited the office of Bishop Robert N. Brooks, with a view to getting a further block sale of Race and Law Enforcement.

Block Sales

UAW - CIO, Atlanta - 200
Students at New York University Institute of Human Relations - 21
The Jewish Federation and Council of Greater Kansas City - 10

MISCELLANEOUS

Arranged for some exchange of information between the Women's Council for Interracial Cooperation in Norfolk, Virginia, and the New Orleans Committee on Race Relations.

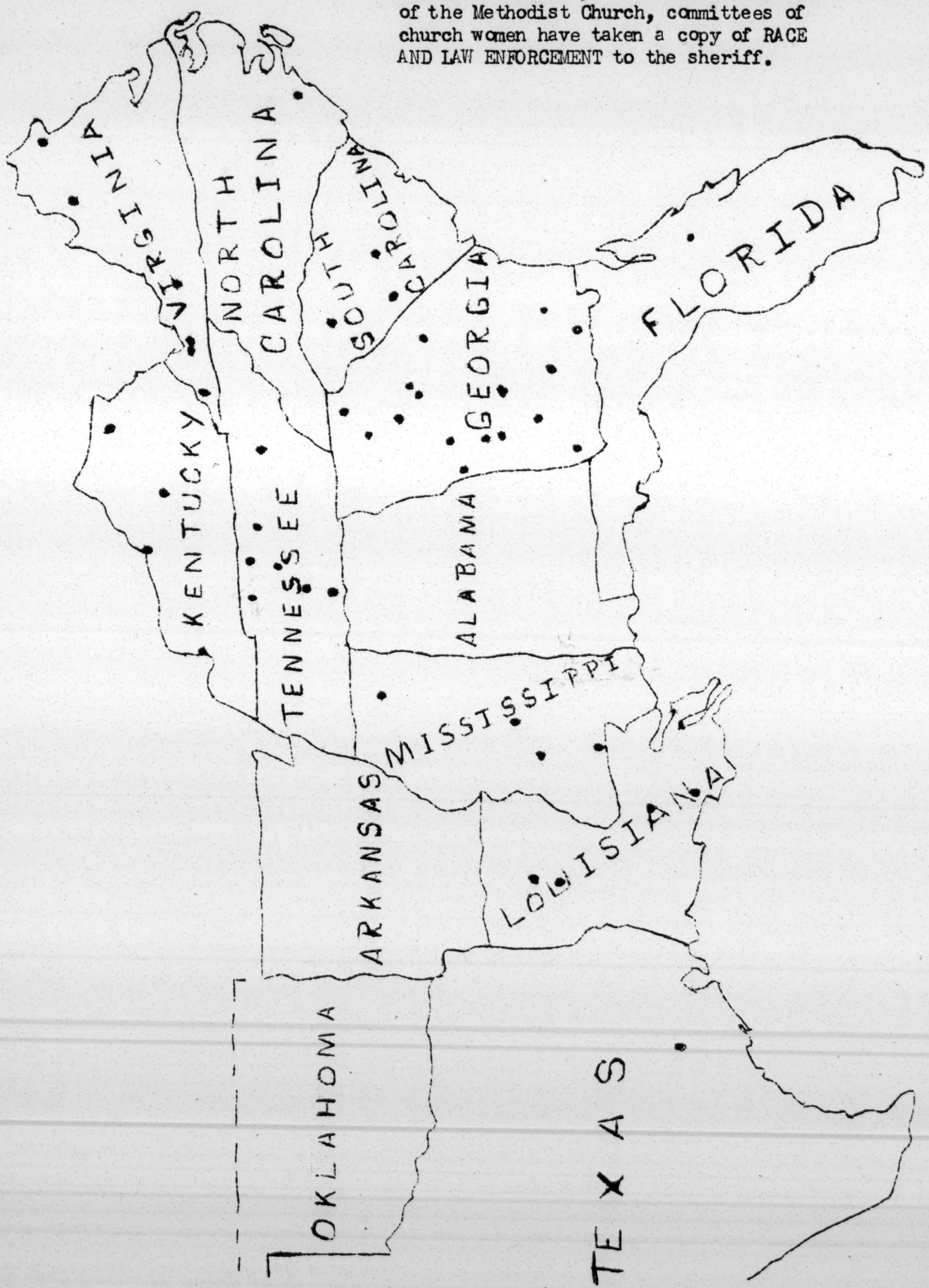
Informed our people in Alabama of an interesting device proposed in New Orleans. The City Council in New Orleans has for years refused to redistrict the city into wards, and the Council remains archaically unrepresentative. A new charter for New Orleans being advocated would require that unless the city is redistricted to equalize councilmanic districts within six months after the publication of each census, "the salaries of councilmen shall be suspended." This would cure many ills.

Pensacola and Tampa, Florida, show some interest in self-surveys.

Met with a group of persons active in civic agencies to develop a plan for relieving housing tensions in Atlanta, to be presented to the mayor.

Agreed with the executive vice-president of the National Scholarship Service and Fund for Negro Students that the Council would informally assist him in contacts for his developing program of "Two-Way Integration" in colleges in the Southern States.

Counties in which, in cooperation with the Fellowship of the Concerned and/or the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church, committees of church women have taken a copy of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT to the sheriff.



SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for July, 1952

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$ 58.00
Contribution from Organization (Columbia Council of Women's Clubs)	10.00
Contribution from Church (Southeastern Jurisdiction, WSCS, Methodist Church)	50.00
Contribution from Foundation (Sigmund Silberman Fund)	300.00
Members Dues	209.50
New South Subscriptions	49.50
Sale of Misc. Literature	97.45
Travel refunds	243.21
Honorarium	58.60
Sale of paper to Georgia Committee	6.75
Postage refunds	20.00
Misc.	.10
Total	$ 1,103.11

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 2,179.98	
Social Security (Cost to Council)	29.15	
Travel	249.23	
Rent	130.00	
Office Supplies	~~59.09~~	52.34
Postage	~~22.38~~	21.38
Telephone & Telegraph	63.84	
Georgia sales tax	~~.83~~	.73
Bank exchange fee	.40	
Total	$ 2,734.90	

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (as of July 31, 1952)

Gershon Printing Co.	$ 19.06
Senior Fluorescent Co.	7.48
Mimeograph Co.	2.37
Telephone Co.	25.51
Tidwell Co.	27.40
Due to State Divisions	101.50
Total	$ 183.32

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, AUGUST, 1952

MEETINGS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

George Mitchell

Three talks to the conference of Unitarians of the Southeast at Blue Ridge, N. C., August 28-30.

Lectured to rural ministers from the Southeast at Gammon Theological Seminary August 12.

Spoke to students of regional planning at Georgia Institute of Technology.

Met with the mayor of Atlanta, along with several other human relations professionals, to discuss the mechanics of a contemplated mayor's committee on human relations. Director of information also assisted in the preparation of a prospectus and other materials necessary for the furtherance of the plan.

Arrangements made with officials of the North Carolina Division for a late September meeting of the Division.

Collected $75 due on sale of "Race and Law Enforcement" in Washington, D. C.

Conference with President Marion Wright

Mrs. Tilly

Taught courses in human rights for the Tennessee Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church in Beersheba Springs, Tennessee; for the Kentucky Conference WSCS in London, Kentucky; and for the Board of Education of the North Georgia Conference of the Methodist Church, at Dahlonega, Georgia.

Spoke at Junaluska, N. C., to 2,000 adult Sunday School teachers.

Spoke to political science class at Emory University.

POLICE MATTERS

Luncheon meeting with selected Atlanta citizens, arranged by Anti-Defamation League, to meet the Atlanta Chief of Police and Superintendent of Police Brown, who had attended the institute on "The Police and Racial Tensions" at Chicago, in part with aid from the Southern Regional Council.

Wrote appropriate officials in the Department of Police at New Orleans, praising their new manual on "Human Relations and Effective Police Action."

Research assistant did another complete mail survey of Negro policemen and Negro firemen in Southern cities.

STUDENT MATTERS

Assisted in arranging for an orphaned Negro high school boy with artistic talent to have special instruction at Spelman College.

Conference with Kendall Weisiger re travel aid to African students in general.

INFORMATION SUPPLIED

Virginius Dabney wanted information for article he is doing for the Saturday Evening Post on "Segregation in Education."

A minister in South Carolina wanted to be brought up to date on the controversy on segregation in the schools in his State.

A South African weekly wanted information about the new Negro private hospital in Atlanta.

The American Friends Service Committee wanted a new citizen of Richmond informed as to interracial contacts she might make there.

An Arkansas citizen wished to be told how to tie on to the interracial movement.

Assisted in the preparation of materials on prejudice in politics for presentation to a Southwide church women's gathering.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

With the Girl Scouts re an additional site for interracial meetings in Tennessee.

With a Virginian re action of State medical societies in other Southern States on admission of Negro physicians.

Executive director wrote article for September 27 issue of The Nation, on "The Negro in the South," introducing the section on "Labor Movement in the South."

Various letters toward obtaining information for an article in Emory law review by the assistant dean of the law school there, on segregation in recreational facilities in certain Southern States and cities.

Encouragement to the St. Petersburg, Florida, Council on Human Relations.

Sent to various American Indian friends in the South a new pamphlet, The Indian Who Never Got Home.

RACE & LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK SALES

Palmetto State Teachers Association, Columbia, S. C. - 100
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church (Bishop J. Arthur Hamlett), Kansas City, Kansas - 600
Unitarians at Southeastern Conference, Blue Ridge, N. C. - 23
Cooperative Farms, Inc., Cruger, Mississippi - 10

FUND RAISING

Letters to several people who customarily help us about this time of year with small contributions.

Efforts in New Orleans assisted by Rev. V. J. O'Connell and Dr. A. W. Dent.

Report sent to an annual anonymous donor.

Renewed request to a small New York foundation.

Raised $175 toward a needed $1,000 to matching a foundation-promised thousand for the Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law.

Conference with Washington representative of the Ford Foundation.

ECONOMY MEASURES

Did not hire a membership secretary to take Adella Shields' place when she left in late August.

Gave up storage and work room, at a saving of $25 per month.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for August 1952

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Contributions from Individuals	$ 160.00	Salaries	$ 2,199.98
Contributions from Churches	1,225.00	Social Security (Cost to Council)	23.33
Woman's Division of Christian Service, Methodist Church $1,200. N. C. Conf. Woman's Soc. of Christian Service - $25.00		Travel expense	79.73
		Postage	24.44
		Telephone & telegraph	58.48
Members Dues	260.00	Books & subscriptions	8.00
New South Subscriptions	15.00	Rent	130.00
Sale of Misc. Literature	109.17	Meeting luncheon (May Exec. Com.mtg.)	7.19
Reimbursement for Exec. Dir. travel	72.34	Georgia Sales tax	.66
		Misc.	.31
Total receipts	$ 1,841.51	Total disbursements	$2,532.12

Balance on hand, August 1, 1952	$ 1,221.64
Receipts during August	1,841.51
	3,063.15
Disbursements during August	2,532.12
Balance, September 1, 1952	$ 531.03

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Fellowship of the Concerned

Bal. August 1	$ 126.11
Less supplies & postage	16.05
Balance, Sept. 1	$ 110.06

N.C.C.J. Travel Fund

Bal. Aug. 1, $43.24

No disb. during Aug.

New South Appropriation

Balance, Aug. 1		$ 1,308.30
Less		
Stein Printing Co.	$ 218.66	
Bank charge	.50	
		219.06
Balance, Sept. 1		$ 1,089.14

Commission on Equal Penalties

Bal. Aug. 1	$ 1,000.00
Received from Atlanta citizens	175.00
Balance, Sept. 1	$ 1,175.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report, September 1-26, 1952

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals		$ 13.00
Contributions from Organizations		60.00
(J. Rubin & Sons - $10.00)		
(Columbia Garment Co. - $25.00)		
(Kline Iron & Metal Works - $25.00)		
(all Columbia, S. C.)		
Contribution from Churches		250.00
(Div. of Home Missions and Church Ext. Methodist Church)		
Contribution from Foundation (Phelps-Stokes Fund)		350.00
Members Dues		275.00
New South Subscriptions		106.50
Sale of Literature		164.05
Honorarium		74.00
Reimbursement for travel of Exec. Dir.		84.15
Total Receipts		$ 1,366.70

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 999.99	
Social Security (Cost to Council)	23.63	
Travel	179.97	
Rent	105.00	
Telephone & Telegraph	61.56	
Postage	36.16	
Office Supplies	1.13	
Georgia Sales Tax	1.14	
Books & subscriptions	1.10	
Paid to State Divisions	133.50	
Allocated to Fellowship of the Concerned	300.00	
Total Disbursements		$ 1,843.18

Recapitulation

Balance, Sept. 1	$ 531.03
Total receipts	1,366.70
	1,897.73
Total disbursements	1,843.18
Balance, Sept. 26	$ 54.55

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Southern Bell Telephone Co.	$ 23.39
Tidwell Co.	43.46
Gershon Printing & Office Supply	24.42
Office Supply Co.	4.07
Ivan Allen Marshall	3.86
Elliott Addressing Machine Co.	5.01
Due to State Divisions (Sept. dues)	79.00
Total Acct. Payable	$ 183.21

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Fellowship of the Concerned

Bal; Sept. 1	$ 110.06
Receipts (from Gen. Budg.)	300.00
	410.06
Disbursements (postage)	9.00
Bal. 9/26	$ 401.06

New South Appropriation

Bal. Sept. 1	$ 1,089.14
Disbursements	
(Stein Printing-$176.31)	
(Postage 52.00)	228.31
Bal. 9/26	860.83

NCCJ Travel Fund

Bal. Sept. 1	$ 43.24
No disbursements	

Commission on Equal Penalties

Bal; Sept. 1	$ 1,000.00
Receipts	
(Mr. L. Aronstam - $25.)	
(Mr. M. Weiss - $50.)	
(Mr. L. Regenstein $50.)	
(Mr. A. May -$50.)	175.00
Bal. 9/26	$ 1,175.00

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, OCTOBER, 1952

OCTOBER TRAVEL & SPEECH-MAKING

George Mitchell

Knoxville, for two interracial gatherings, one of friends of Fellowship House, to talk about possible programs for Knoxville, and another at the Unitarian Church, on the South in general. Talked also at Knoxville College and at the University of Tennessee.

At Lakeland, Florida, for the middle week of the month for a very interesting occasion. The American Federation of Labor held its first Southwide Labor School, bringing in the top people from its State Federations of Labor and city Central Labor Units from all over the South--sixty-odd. They gave the Council the job of teaching a course in "Economic and Social Problems." George Mitchell took them over the bumps--FEPC, segregated education, and all. Two-thirds of them cordially interested. Perhaps a third not. Significant that this group was prepared to approach these subjects intimately and intensively.

In the course of the Lakeland trip, talked also to a social work group and friends of the Southern Regional Council at St. Petersburg.

Luncheon appearance on "Problems of Rural Planning" for a gathering of engineers and city planners in Atlanta.

Mrs. Tilly

Conducted a workshop on Christian Social Relations for the Southeastern Conference of the Council of Churchwomen at Jacksonville.

Spoke at convocation of adult Methodists of the Indiana area.

Met with Rome and Augusta, Georgia Committees on Interracial Cooperation.

Spoke to young people at two Atlanta Methodist churches.

COX COMMITTEE

Questionnaire arrived in mid-October from the Cox Committee--in full, the Select Committee of the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, to Investigate Tax-Exempt Foundations and Comparable Organizations.

We judged the questionnaire to be aimed chiefly at foundations making numerous grants for scholarship or other aid, the apparent intent being to convict them of failing to investigate grantees for un-American proclivities. They bored in also with many questions as to the practices of agencies on employment of personnel and choice of policy officers. On the finance side, they wanted a full list of contributors to each agency from 1937 forward. By heroic effort, the secretary-treasurer furnished a list of all who had contributed a hundred

dollars or more since the beginning of the Southern Regional Council in 1944, but on advice of counsel, we lumped together the many small contributions, over and above dues, which had come in. President Wright mailed the full report in to the Committee November 1.

FUND-RAISING

Supplied William C. Whitney Foundation with additional information as to SRC program for 1952.

Wrote to various customary, but laggard, contributors.

Katherine Stoney, on a journey to Washington, made arrangements for a fund-raising dinner for friends and members of the Council, to be held there November 14.

RACE & LAW ENFORCEMENT

Number of sheriffs visited by church women, as of October 31--127 in 11 States.

INFORMATION SUPPLIED

The usual run of theses and debates to service.

For a sub-committee of the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials we prepared a summary of the present status of safety of the person and several other civil rights in the South.

For Hodding Carter supplied a collection of materials to assist him in describing matters Southern in a six-months trip abroad, beginning in mid-October.

Undertook lengthy chapter on employment of Negroes for a forthcoming year book of the Journal of Negro Education.

SURVEYS

Considerable interest in Knoxville toward a self-survey there. Stirrings in St. Petersburg.

SOUTHWIDE MEETING NOVEMBER 17

Much correspondence with the various agencies invited to attend this third meeting (at Fisk November 17) of human relations agencies in the South.

GENERAL

Time and attention to visitors from Norway, Sweden and South Africa.

Arranged speaker for South Carolina Division meeting coming up November 6.

Anna Holden queried by mail the various Southern colleges rumored to have altered their admittance policies on matters of race.

Prepared a project proposal for needed changes in Southern State constitutions.

Continued advice to National Scholarship Service and Fund for Negro Students.

Suggested to a publisher that a book be commissioned on the growth of regulation and precedent in the field of fair employment. Would be indispensable as a text in the task of training personnel for an FEPC.

Various small matters relating to African students in Atlanta.

Executive Director undertook to serve on a board being formed to raise and administer travel funds for these students in the future.

NOVEMBER TRAVEL

Executive Director, Washington, D. C., November 11-14, meeting of National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials.

November 14, Abbeville, S. C., Friends Committee re Little River Farms.

November 17, Southwide coordinating group, Nashville.

November 18, Woodstock, Georgia, address to church group.

November 20, St. Petersburg, Florida, speech and encouragement to survey.

November 24, Rock Hill, S. C., address to local church group.

November 14, secretary-treasurer, meeting of Florida Division.

November 25, secretary-treasurer, meeting of Mississippi Division.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for October 1952

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$ 1,126.00
Contribution from Church (Friendship Baptist, Atlanta)	20.00
Contributions from Foundations (Samuel & Augusta Rosenwald Fund-$200.) (Ashby Jones Memorial Fund- $50.)	250.00
Members Dues	206.00
New South Subscriptions	25.50
Sale of literature	102.48
Honoraria	120.00
Georgia Committee on Interracial Coop. (For services of Emily Calhoun)	30.00
Transferred from Special Accounts (New South Appro.-Salary, H. Fleming, $100.) Fellowship of the Concerned - Salary, Emily Calhoun - $10.)	110.00
Loan from funds held for Tennessee Div.	190.00
Reimbursement for travel	100.50
Total Receipts	$ 2,280.48

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 1,924.98
Social Security	10.31
Travel	90.18
Rent	105.00
Office supplies	87.54
Telephone	64.59
Postage	13.81
Books & subscriptions	1.65
Registration of corporation fee	1.00
Georgia sales tax	.65
Bank exchange fees	.50
Total Disbursements	$ 2,300.21

Recapitulation

Balance on hand, October 1	$ 51.60
Receipts	2,280.48
	2,332.08
Disbursements	2,300.21
Balance on hand, Nov. 1	$ 31.87

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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE - As of October 31, 1952

George S. Mitchell, Salary	$ 550.00
Harold C. Fleming, Salary	83.33
Katherine Stoney, Salary	216.66
Anna Holden, Salary	125.00
Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Salary	100.00
Southern Bell Tel. Co.	81.90
Mimeograph Co.	42.43
Office Supply Co.	5.72
Ivan-Allen Marshall Co.	3.86
Elliott Addressing Machine Co.	7.21
Due to State Divisions	119.50
Total	1,335.61

STAFF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST, NOVEMBER, 1952

TRAVEL

November has been a month of traveling about. George Mitchell spent the second week in Washington at a meeting of the National Association of Inter-group Relations Officials.

On November 14 some eighty members and friends of the Southern Regional Council met in Washington at the YWCA with the executive director and raised about $400 for the Council.

Also on November 14, Katherine Stoney met with the Florida Division at Jacksonville. They most generously contributed $350 to the Council's budget.

November 17 at Nashville, George Mitchell met with the various agencies concerned with human relations in the South. Attendance quite good, with representatives from the Alabama, Mississippi, Kentucky, and South Carolina Divisions of the Council present, as well as people from the National Urban League, the Methodist Church, the NAACP, the Fellowship House of Knoxville, and the Race Relations Institute at Fisk. We drew up the statement attached on the use of prejudice in political campaigns, and devised plans for getting numerous church and lay organizations throughout the South to pass resolutions in the coming months against racial and religious prejudice in campaigns. The group will meet again in January or February on the question of segregation in the schools.

Met with a church group in the North Georgia town of Woodstock November 18.

November 20 and 21 at St. Petersburg, Florida, for a two-day session of the St. Petersburg Council on Human Relations and a talk to its major evening gathering on November 20.

Also on November 20-22, Harold Fleming represented SRC at a conference of human relations experts at Aaronsburg, Pennsylvania. Plans for a nation-wide program on human rights were discussed.

George Mitchell went to Rock Hill November 24 for a talk to lay groups from two Catholic Churches in that city.

On November 24 Katherine Stoney attended the annual meeting of the Mississippi Division, and reported an unusually constructive meeting.

RACE & LAW ENFORCEMENT

Mrs. Tilly and the Fellowship of the Concerned have reported the following counties in which church women have visited their sheriffs in the interest of fair law enforcement:

Alabama
DeKalb, Barbour, Macon, Madison

Florida
Volusia, Broward, Columbia

Georgia

Walker, Whitfield, Chattooga, Gordon, Cherokee, Fannin, Heard, Lumpkin, Rabun, Hall, Barrow, Gwinnett, Walton, DeKalb, Fulton, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, Troup, Meriwether, Upson, Morgan, Harris, Greene, McDuffie, Richmond, Schley, Sumter, Evans, Dougherty, Tift, Bacon, Seminole, Brooks, Clinch, Dooly.

Kentucky

Marshall, Campbell, Carter, Boyd, Pike, Perry, Franklin, Mercer, Hardin, Taylor, Adair, Jefferson, Simpson, Henderson, Webster, Meade, Hopkins, Christian, Livingston, Boyle, Montgomery, Edmonson, Greenup, Fleming

Mississippi

Union, Sunflower, Grenada, Carroll, Madison, Scott, Smith, Simpson, Panola, Copiah, Clairborne, Walthall, Forrest

North Carolina

Cabarrus, Rowan, Orange, Mecklenburg, Chatham, Caswell, Alamance, Durham, Vance, Wayne, Pitt, Onslow, Columbus, Yancey

South Carolina

Dorchester, Edgefield, Laurens, Anderson, Pickens, Lexington, Richland, Newberry, Beaufort

Tennessee

Sullivan, Jefferson, Cumberland, Prentiss, Smith, Sumner, Robertson, Davidson, Williamson, Maury, Marshall, Giles, Lawrence, Montgomery, Humphreys, Dyer, Gibson, Lauderdale, Shelby

Virginia

Scott, Lee, Wise, Dickerson, Grayson, Tazewell, Wythe, Pulaski, Staunton, Nottoway, Rappahannock, Fairfax, Accomac, Northampton

Louisiana

Grant, Rapides, East Baton Rouge, Thibodaux

Texas

Harris

Total number of sheriffs visited to date--141.

STATE DIVISIONS

The South Carolina Division had its meeting November 5, and the Council assisted in getting Dr. Faulkner of Fisk as principal speaker for the meeting at Columbia.

At Baton Rouge some proposals are being made for reviving the Baton Rouge Chapter of the Southern Regional Council.

3--November, 1952, staff activities

SCHOOL SEGREGATION

President Marion Wright has written in urging that the Council bring its available resources to bear in preparing the South for constructive use of whatever may be the Supreme Court's decision in the school segregation case, and we are busily organizing with other groups for appropriate action.

The November 8 Saturday Evening Post carried a long article by Virginius Dabney on segregation in the schools, mentioning the Council several times and quoting at length from a statement we made to the effect that in more parts of the South than most people suspect, local opinion could be brought pretty readily to agree to an unsegregated school system.

Harold Fleming conferred in Atlanta with Galen Weaver of the American Missionary Association on general plans for meeting the upcoming changes in Southern schools.

INFORMATION SUPPLIED

The Council is much turned to by colleges and students' debating groups for information about this year's debate topic--FEPC

We came near to the end of our little research project on recreational facilities in Southern States and cities, and will shortly turn it over to people at the Emory Law School, who are preparing an article on it for the Emory law review.

A college president preparing an article on segregation in higher education needed a list of Southern institutions now open to Negroes. Supplied.

The usual run of inquiries for information on this and that.

GENERAL

On survey matters, Knoxville continues to show interest in a survey, and Anna Holden is going there to meet with the interested groups December 4.

On fund-raising, George Mitchell continued negotiations for aid hoped from a foundation in New Orleans; and Leonard Haas, in the course of a trip to New York, very kindly got in touch with people in the Ford Foundation on our behalf.

We proposed to a New York publisher that a volume be issued developing the "case law" of fair employment practices, suitable for use in training the personnel that will be needed by any expanded agency in this field.

DECEMBER TRAVEL

December 2, Little Rock, at the annual meeting of the Arkansas Division.

December 5 at Palm Beach, Florida, for a convention of the Florida Home Economics and Dietitians Association.

December 7 and 8 at Monteagle, Tennessee, for a meeting of the board of Highlander Folk School.

December 12 at Raleigh for the annual meeting of the North Carolina Division.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance Report for November 1952

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$ 460.50
Contributions from Organizations	350.00
(Florida Division, SRC - $300.)	
(N. C. Teachers Assoc. - $50.)	
Contributions from Churches	50.00
(Woman's Society of Christian Service, Louisville Conf. - $25.00)	
(Woman's Society of Christian Service, Holston Conf. - $25.00)	
Members Dues	606.00
New South Subscriptions	109.00
Sale of Misc. Literature	53.41
Honoraria	33.69
Loan from Special Accounts for travel	100.00
Total Receipts	$ 1,762.60

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 903.32
Social Security	14.61
Travel	323.97
Rent	105.00
Telephone	81.90
Interest (Mitchell loan)	75.00
Postage	42.98
Meeting luncheon (Sept. 27th)	7.99
Office Supplies	2.93
Books & subscriptions	5.24
Georgia Sales Tax	.38
Bank Exchange and Service Charge	2.25
Total Disbursements	$ 1,565.57

Balance, November 1	$ 31.87
Receipts for November	1,762.60
	1,794.47
Disbursements for November	1,565.57
Bal. Dec. 1	$ 228.90

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance Report - Dec. 1-20, 1952

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$	741.00
Contributions from Organization (Miss. Div., SRC)		150.00
Contribution from Churches (Catholic Committee of the South) $100.) (Division Home Missions and Church Extension Methodist Church - 250.00)		350.00
Members Dues		273.50
New South Subscriptions		15.00
Sale of Literature		36.30
Honorarium		7.59
Misc.		.24
Loan (borrowed against funds definitely expected)	$	500.00
		2,073.63

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$	1,977.65
Social Security		7.18
Rent		105.00
Travel		94.38
Books & subscriptions		11.50
Sales tax		.74
Payment of loan to Sepc. Accts.		100.00
Interest on Citizens Trust Loan		5.00
		2,301.45

Balance Dec. 1, 1952		228.90
Receipts		2,073.63
		2,302.53
Disbursements		2,301.45
Balance, Dec. 20	$	1.08

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 22, 1952, MEETING TO DISCUSS WAYS
OF REDUCING VIOLENCE IN THE SOUTH

On the invitation of the Southern Regional Council, representatives of a number of organizations interested in race relations in the South came together in Atlanta Friday, February 22. Those present were:

Nelson Jackson, National Urban League
Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton, Atlanta Urban League
Robert Thompson, Atlanta Urban League
Ernest Arnold, Southeastern Intercouncil Office of the National Council of the Churches of Christ
Alexander Miller, Southern Office, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai Brith
Florence Harris, Southern Region, National Board, YWCA
Hubert Jackson, Public Housing Administration, Race Relations Advisor
George Mitchell, Southern Regional Council
Harold Fleming, Southern Regional Council
Mrs. Ruby Hurley, Southeastern Regional Office, NAACP, Birmingham
D. E. Byrd, Birmingham Office, NAACP
Rev. Maurice V. Shean, Catholic Committee of the South, Rock Hill, S. C.
A. R. Suritz, Catholic Committee of the South, Rock Hill

Additional persons invited but unable to attend were:

Hugh Brimm, Social Service Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, Louisville
John Q. Schisler, Board of Education, Methodist Church, Nashville
Emerson Smith, Department of Interracial Cooperation of the Virginia Council of Churches, Richmond
Vernon S. Broyles, Board of Church Extension, Presbyterian Church in the United States
Al Thompson, Race Relations Advisor, Federal Housing Administration
Rosalie Oakes, National Student Council, Southern Regional Office, YWCA
Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Southern Regional Council

George Mitchell, serving as convener, said that the meeting had been called to discuss measures that might be taken by various organizations to reduce the violence, and particularly the bombings which had appeared in recent months. He suggested that the group take it as granted that one of the causes was overcrowded housing conditions, and discuss first available methods of getting more and better housing.

Mr. Hubert Jackson described the possibilities still open for new, publicly-assisted housing. Under Title I of the present Housing Act, cities will still be assisted in blocking up areas of slum and deteriorated property for resale to private builders at land prices calculated to make possible construction of homes that can be available to comparatively low-income people.

Under Title III the very limited Congressional allocation of construction by local housing authorities has long been exhausted for the fiscal year '50-'51, but applications made speedily may still be approved for '51-'52.

Various persons present pointed out that even under the most hopeful circumstances, new, publicly-assisted housing could not care for more than ten per cent of the new dwellings needed in Southern cities and towns, and that in the present national emergency, with materials high and scarce and construction labor apparently fully absorbed, the possibility of a real building program seemed remote.

Conversation then turned to the workability of the plan followed in Atlanta of tightening the standards for housing property by municipal ordinance. An ordinance enforced by a staff of inspectors has compelled landlords of run-down property to install minor improvements to an average value of several hundred dollars per home. More than 1,500 homes have been reached by this program. Mrs. Hamilton pointed out that the ordinance had also resulted in destruction of an appreciable number of dwelling units, so that while the plan was on the whole beneficial, it certainly gave no relief to the need for more housing.

Others present emphasized the bad housing conditions in small cities and towns. Reference was made to the federally-assisted programs available for rural non-farm housing--places of less than 2,500 population. On farm housing, comment was made on the marked improvement in the last decade. It was also stated that credit is now available on reasonable terms for construction of farm homes and buildings.

Two or three persons emphasized the importance of expanding employment opportunities and up-grading the earnings of Negro citizens as a means of increasing their power to purchase better housing.

The group took note of a trend in evidence in the last three or four years in the South for quite satisfactory private commercial housing for Negro families of middle and better income. A number of cities reported substantial construction in this category during the last few years.

Mr. Robert Thompson described a proposal for legislation or altered administrative procedure which might enable new housing construction to resume in areas of special need. This would involve a differential interest rate, either directly or by subsidy, to ease mortgage acceptance. After discussion it was agreed that a committee of Thompson, Mitchell and Fleming, advised by others, should pursue this possibility further.

In the afternoon the group put its attention on the need for stricter law enforcement all over the South. Here it was noted that, just as in the case of housing the governing factor in the background is employment, so in the matter of police work the governing factor is Negro political participation.

Mr. Levin suggested that other cities follow with care the movement under way in New Orleans now to establish there a Mayor's Commission on Human Relations.

Mr. Mitchell outlined the opportunities for police training in the Southern Police Training Institute in Louisville and suggested that every Southern city ought to have some of its police personnel go through the course at Louisville.

It is expected that a training manual for policemen will be issued in New Orleans in mid-March of this year.

Mr. Miller and others thought it would be quite helpful if a Southwide meeting of persons interested in law enforcement could be held. One suggestion was that such a meeting be called by the Southern Police Training Institute at Louisville. Possibly out of a conference of this kind would come a continuing committee to follow the whole problem of Southern law enforcement.

Mr. Miller was named by the group as chairman of a committee, which he himself would select, to propose a plan for such a conference.

Those present selected Thursday, May 15, at Birmingham as the time and place for the next meeting of the group. Mr. Miller's plan would be laid before the group at that meeting or earlier by correspondence.

Various persons suggested ways in which the Southern Regional Council's recent pamphlet, RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT, could be still more widely distributed in Southern communities.

The Southern Regional Council undertook to compile and to send out to members of the group a simple directory of organizations and groups interested in this field in the South.

March 21, 1952

MEMO TO ALEX MILLER & HAROLD FLEMING

We have had a letter from Mrs. Hurley's office in Birmingham, saying that arrangements have been made for the meeting on May 15 in Birmingham at St. Paul Methodist Church. That doesn't mean that people have been invited. Merely means that the church is available. Pastor is Rev. H. B. Gibson.

I will proceed now to invite the various persons to a meeting there that day. Shall we set 9:30 a. m. as the hour to convene?

George S. Mitchell

Suite 305
11 Pryor St., SW
Atlanta, Georgia

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March 17, 1952

Dear Friend:

On February 22nd, 1952, a group consisting of representatives of various agencies and organizations interested in Southern matters met in Atlanta, Ga. The subject of discussion was the current wave of violence, particularly bombings, growing out of racial and religious tensions.

The group discussed the fact that there was the likelihood of much more violence of a similar nature during the next few years.

Several suggestions were made designed to ameliorate the tension and curb the violence so that the changes and progress being made might continue unimpeded. One suggestion which was agreed upon was the appointment of the undersigned committee to study means by which the aspects of this problem might best be made known so that all the positive forces in the South might be alerted and perhaps mobilized.

Your Committee has met and has the following recommendations to make: -- that a basic statement be prepared which would delineate the problem and make suggestions towards its amelioration.

The scope of the statement would be indicated by its suggested title, "Safety of the Person." The statement, as visualized by your Committee, would follow the outline detailed below. We want to emphasize, however, that this is merely our thinking. We are anxious for all those receiving this memorandum to send us their suggestions as to the nature and scope of this statement and as to its subject matter. Please regard the outline as merely a departure point for your own thinking.

Safety of the Person

A. Statement of the problem. A short account of the number of incidents of violence arising from religious and racial tensions. Reasons why it is believed that unless strong and purposeful action is taken, we can expect much more violence and many more acts of a terroristic nature during the years immediately ahead.

B. Consideration of specific areas which are causing group tensions. It is planned to ask specifically qualified individuals to prepare the statements concerning problems and remedies in each area.

1. Housing
2. Political demagoguery. How are bigots and race-baiters creating and using racial tensions in political campaigns.
3. Public Services

a. Transportation. Problems growing out of bus situations -- taxis, trains, etc.

b. Education. How can we plan for ameliorating tensions when the segregation pattern is changed, when counties find that they do not have the funds to equalize two school systems.

c. Suffrage

4. Law Enforcement. The role of the police in dealing with violence growing out of tension situations, with particular emphasis on what local citizens can do to improve standards of law enforcement.

We would deeply appreciate it if all those receiving this tentative outline would send us their suggestions and criticisms within the next 10 days. We will then be able to proceed with preparing the first draft of this statement which we hope to have in your hands by April 15th. You will then have the opportunity to further study this statement and again make suggestions and criticisms. Based upon your advice, a second draft would then be prepared which would be sent to you so that you would have the opportunity to study it prior to our next group meeting in Birmingham on May 15th. At the group meeting we would have the opportunity of discussing together the final statement and also decide how best it can be released.

It is the feeling of the Committee that a statement of the type outlined above, advanced by a representative cross-section of organizations, would do much to shape a constructive Southern effort in this all-important field.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexander F. Miller, Chairman

Harold Fleming

Hubert Jackson

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December 4, 1951

Judge J. Waties Waring
Charleston
South Carolina

Dear Judge Waring:

I appreciate your having taken the trouble to write me your letter of November 25.

Without wishing to protract the correspondence unduly, I feel that I had better correct an impression which I may unintentionally have conveyed.

I do not wish to claim that there is complete unanimity among all the members of the Southern Regional Council on the issue of segregation. I am quite sure that there is not. I do wish, however, to state that there are no longer any advocates of segregation included among those who attend its meetings. Probably a great many members have reservations on the subject but they are now ashamed to express them. I think that this is important because it means that they have moved from a majority into a minority position.

No longer is there any more than a very small minority who advocate gradulism, although there may be a larger percentage who believe in that approach.

All that one can be safe in claiming for an organization is that the prevailing opinion, as publicly expressed, is of such a nature. I have no hesitancy in saying that the prevailing opinion of the Southern Regional Council as publicly expressed in all of its meetings which I have attended has been to the effect that segregation should here and now be abolished. It is the same position so well argued by you in your dissenting opinion on the Clarendon County case.

With kind regards to you both, I am,

Yours sincerely,

M. A. Wright

MAW/raj

George:
Am still working on this difficult assignment. This man can do us great good. M.A.W.
Write my niece Miss Nathalie Wright, P.O. Box 346 Maryville Tenn. what she must do to join S.R.C. She is on faculty of Univ. of Tenn.

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February 4, 1952

Mrs. Norma Radin
1007 West 23rd Street,
Austin, Texas

Dear Mrs. Radin:

Thank you very much for your letter of January 25th asking for information about the Southern Regional Council.

Under separate cover I am sending you a pamphlet which describes the Council's organization and work, a copy of each of the last three issues of our publication, "New South" and a list of the Council's publications. Near the back of the descriptive pamphlet you will find an application for membership form.

The Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation is affiliated with the Council. Mrs. James S. Crate, 2410 Inwood Drive, Houston, is Chairman of the Commission and could tell you about their activities and perhaps put you in touch with the Austin members.

We will be happy to welcome you as a member of the Council and to send you any further information or any of the publications you may want.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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1007 W. 23 ST.
Austin, Texas
Jan 25, 1951

Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave NE
Atlanta, Georgia

Gentlemen:-

I have heard a little about your organization and would be very interested in learning more. Do you have any brochures which describe your work rather fully?

I have been told that the closest representative to Austin lives at Houston. May I have his address or

the address of anyone nearer whom I may contact.

Sincerely,
Mrs Norman Rodin

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February 4, 1952

Mr. Kenneth Cauthen
Box 274
Yale Divinity School
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Mr. Cauthen:

Thank you for your letter of January 29th.

The Southern Regional Council, a non-profit and non-political organization, operates on a very low budget and therefore does not have a "free" mailing list. Publications are sold for the cost of printing and postage only.

The Council is a membership organization, having members in all the thirteen Southern states and associate members in other parts of the country. Membership fees are three dollars for single membership, four dollars for husband-wife membership, and ten dollars for sustaining membership. Membership in the Council includes a subscription to "New South" and members get all other information which the Council sends out.

I am enclosing herewith a pamphlet describing the Council's organization and work and a copy of the "Statement of Policy and Aims" as adopted by the recent annual membership meeting of the Council.

We will be happy to welcome you as a member of the Council if you feel you are interested. Since you are now living in New Haven, you would be an associate(non-voting) member.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Yale Divinity School
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Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave. N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sirs:

Please put me on your mailing list and tell me how I may obtain the Council publications. I am interested in the work you are doing and would like to receive the publications which you print.

Yours truly,

Ken Cauthen

Kenneth Cauthen

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February 7, 1952

Mr. Crawford Solomon
c/o Convention Press
218 W. Church St.
Jacksonville, Fla.

Dear Mr. Solomon:

Many thanks for your letter of January 31.

I have sent the enclosed letter and some material to Mrs. Ralph Richards of Clearwater.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

Bishop Gregg head of the Edward Waters College, Jacksonville turned over the name of Mrs. Ralph Richards of Clearwater, Florida to me. He stated that Mrs. Richards was very interested in starting some kind of interracial organization in Clearwater and would like very much to have some material and information on it.

Frankly I have no material here and do not see that I could do too much good by correspondence. However, I think that we should do everything we can to encourage groups organizing on the local level. Would you please send her all information which you can get as to starting a local chapter of the Southern Regional? Her address is 312 Orangewood Ave.

I have continued to keep in touch with the Mims affair and I can assure you that the entire population in the community is satisfied that the law is being enforced to the best of its abilities.

My information incidentally dovetails with the NAACP national office on this.

Yours very truly,

Crawford Salamon

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February 14, 1952

Mr. Alfred Mynders
The Chattanooga Times
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Mynders:

Many thanks for the letter about Copeland. I have written him and do hope he will join.

I know a little about Haywood County, as the government put a rural resettlement project in it, and I visited it enough to learn the situation.

We look forward to seeing you on the 7th, which is now the definite date.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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February 14, 1952

Mr. W. R. Copeland
C. I. O.
136½ S. 2nd St.
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Red:

Alfred Mynders told me that he had a nice visit with you several days ago. He hoped we could get you to become a member of the Southern Regional Council. So do I.

We wouldn't break you at three dollars a year, and we would be honored to have you.

We were greatly helped by the Tennessee Industrial Union Council's contribution.

We are weak in Memphis, but some day we want to be much stronger. Do help us.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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The Chattanooga Times

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Dr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
The Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I would appreciate it if you will have somebody send an invitation to W. A. Copeland, CIO Headquarters, Memphis, Tennessee, to become a member of the Council. He is a long-time friend of mine and is important in the CIO organization in Tennessee, Alabama and other states of the mid-South.

On a recent visit here he told me that at a meeting of the Tennessee CIO in Nashville they had voted an additional contribution to the Southern Regional Council. If we ever get started in Memphis he will be a wheelhorse in the work.

He told me that down in Memphis they are thinking about making a move to get Negroes the right to vote in Haywood County, West Tennessee. Brownsville is the county seat. Some years ago when an effort was made to let Negroes vote, several Negroes were killed.

See you at the Executive Committee meeting.

Faithfully yours,

Alfred Mynders

Alfred Mynders
Editor of The Chattanooga Times

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February 20, 1952

Bishop C. C. J. Carpenter
Church of Advent
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Bishop Carpenter:

Miss Roberta Morgan of Birmingham has asked that we send you some information about the Southern Regional Council.

Enclosed is a pamphlet which describes the organization and work of the Council, a "Statement of Policy and Aims" as adopted at the last Annual Membership meeting of the Council and a copy of the January 1952 issue of our monthly publication, New South.

Members of the Council live in all of the thirteen Southern states and include business men, educators, church people, labor leaders, farmers, etc. of both races.

We would be most happy to have you as a member of the Council. You will find an application for membership form in the pamphlet, "What Kind of South Do You Want?"

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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February 20, 1952

Mr. Joe H. Brady
1921 Parnell Avenue,
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Brady:

Miss Roberta Morgan has asked that we send you some information about the Southern Regional Council.

Enclsoed are a pamphlet which describes the organization and work of the Council, a copy of the "State of Policy and Aim" adopted at the last Annual Membership meeting and a copy of the January 1952 issue of New South, our monthly publication.

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Sincerely yours,

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, Georgia

February 19, 1952

Mr. M. M. Thompson
Box 204
Logan, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Thompson:

The Hanson-Bennett Magazine Agency has asked that we send you a sample copy of NEW SOUTH. Enclosed is a copy of our December 1951 issue. The bulletin is published monthly. Subscription price is $1.50 per year.

We would be pleased to list you as a subscriber to New South.

Sincerely yours,

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We have received a request for a sample copy of the NEW SOUTH, and will you kindly see that same is forwarded direct to--

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Box 204
Logan, New Mexico

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Your prompt attention to this matter will be very much appreciated.

Yours very truly,

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February 19, 1952

Miss Alice Clifford
208 W. 80th St.
Apt. 3-A
New York, N. Y.

Dear Alice:

We all look for you in mid-March.

I send you separately some back issues of our maggie. Blank with this for joining SRC.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. Harold Fleming
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Harold:

May I make a suggestion that you send some literature describing the SRC to:

Billy Neville
Lamar Building
Meridian, Mississippi

Neville is a young respected attorney who I believe would be interested in receiving publications of the SRC.

Cordially,

Brant

Brant Coopersmith, Director
New Orleans Regional Office

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March 11, 1952

Rev. Donald Fearon C. Ss. R.
Our Lady of Victory Church
Southern Pines, North Carolina

Dear Father Fearon:

We have just had word from Father Kuhn that he is no longer in the Southern Pines parish but has moved to Griffin, Georgia. As you probably know, he held membership in the Southern Regional Council for several years and received, along with our other literature, the monthly publication, New South. Since he is no longer in that parish, I wonder if you would not like to continue the membership. The enclosed pamphlet will tell you something about the Council - its organization and work. Enclosed also is a copy of the Statement of Policy and Aims as adopted at the la t annual membership meeting.

If you would like more information, please let us know. We shall hope to hear from you and to have you as a member of the Council and its North Carolina Division.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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REDEMPTORIST FATHERS
SACRED HEART RECTORY
305 NORTH HILL ST.
GRIFFIN. GA.
TELEPHONE 2378

March 5, 1952

Miss Katherine Storey.

Dear Friend,

I received your notice about the dues for the Southern Regional Council. The fact is I haven't been in North Carolina for the last year and a half.

I'll pay for last years paper, but as for this years paper, you better write to the new Superior at Southern Pines — Rev. Donald Fearon C. Ss. R.

Yours Respectfully,

Walter Kuhn C. Ss. R.

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March 11, 1952

Rev. Walter Kuhn C. Ss. R
Redemptorist Fathers
Sacred Heart Rectory
305 North Hill Street,
Griffin, Georgia

Dear Father Kuhn:

Thank you for your letter of March 5th and the enclosed check for three dollars ($3.00).

Membership in the Council is always entered in the name of an individual - not in the name of an organization, hence the one for the Southern Pines Redemptorist Fathers was in your name. We had not been notified that you had moved nor had the copies of New South been returned (which is often the way we learn of change of addresses) so we assumed that you were still in Southern Pines.

We will write to Father Fearon and ask him to continue the membership for that group, if he will. We would also like to have you continue in your new parish, if you will. Thank you for your loyalty and support.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
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This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 3-27-50 for the year 1950. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney

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Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

March 12, '52

Mr. Nat Elkus
2176 1/2 Beverly Glen Blvd.
Los Angeles 25, California

Dear Mr Elkus,

Mr. Gordon Hancock sent us on to-day your most kind check for $15.00, with a letter telling of his conversation with you on the way to Detroit Christmas Eve! We are extremely grateful.

We owe the beginnings of this Council to Mr. Hancock. It was a newspaper column by him in 1943 that set others thinking of how to get such a movement going, and he did most of the work about getting the early meetings together. He is an honored Vice President of the Council now, and mighty active, as you know, at Virginia Union and in his Church. And he's a most wise man.

Since he saw you we have put out a booklet on police matters that has had amazing circulation. I send a copy along with this. We got it out to our own 4000 members and subscribers. Then various Church and educational organization bought it in blocks. The Catholic Committee of the South (1000); the Anti-Defamation League (700); The Southern Baptists; the Episcopalians; The African Methodist Episcopal Church; The Negro part of the Methodist Church (Bishop Bowen); The Georgia Negro teachers (500); The North Carolina Mutual Life INsurance Company; The Department of Race Relations of the Virginia Council of Churches; the Texas Interracial Commission; the Georgia Interracial Commission; and the State Divisions of the Southern Regional Council in Mississippi, Alabama(500); South Carolina; Kentucky; Tennessee; North Carolina, and Louisiana. Just the other day the New Jersey Commission Against Discrimination got a hundred copies. In all, we've sold in blocks over 6000 copies, to groups who bought them to mail to local people.

Finally, on top of those, our good Methodist Mrs Tilly (who was a member of the President's Committee on Civil Rights) has worked out an arrangement with the Methodist Church women's society under which they take responsibility for getting local church women in every county in the thirteen Southern States to carry a copy of the pamphlet to the sheriff, and ask him to bring the force around to these modern standards.

For one more boast, I send a copy of Race in the News, which Mr. Hancock will have told you of. Two and a half years ago it got similar distribution, and it has had a real hand in the marked improvement of the Southern press in these matters.

We are making you and Associate Members of the Council, and will therefore send you New South as it comes out in the future.

Do write us if you have ideas as to what we should be doing, or questions that we can answer.

With warm appreciation,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

March 12, '52

Dear Mr. Hancock,

How very kind of you, and of Mr. Elkus! I have written him the nicest letter I know how, have sent him an official receipt, and have told him we are making him an associate member. Also, I'll write him once in a while, with news.

Meeting was a good one, and got through its business in a morning. Best news was the remarkable distribution of Race and Law Enforcement. That ought really to make a dent. Money matters no clearer, though Marion Wright has one or two people he is approaching vigorously. We hear indirectly that the Ford Foundation is now screening projects in our field, so we hope they are warmer. Charles Johnson came and sat in the Chair, and thought this would be our year to get helped. It needs must be!

Will you tell me where you have moved to? I cherished the brief visits with you in Richmond, and am much more apt to get them in if I know ahead where to search for you. But if privacy is a Great Need, I will try only to find you at Virginia Union.

Warmly,

George S. M.

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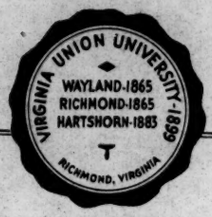

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Richmond, Virginia

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Dr George Mitchell
63 Auburn Avenue NE
Atlanta Georgia

My dear Dr Mitchell:

It was a great disappointment to be unable to attend the recent meeting of the Executive Committee. I had made reservations and had fully intended to leave Thursday night when my physician advised against the trip Steady going here and there and everywhere predisposed me to this new fashioned flu which is going the rounds. I came down last Tuesday and an examination indicated that I need to go slow through here; hence my decision not to come to Atlanta.

Enclosed find a check sent me by one Nat Elkus of California. I met him Christmas Eve while enroute to Detroit. He is an amiable fellow and wanted to help personally with our $90,000 social center at Moore Street but I advised that he send a donation to the Regional Council instead. He is a good man to cultivate and I am sure his affiliation will mean much to us. Good luck to you and more strength to carry forward our great work.

Faithfully always,

Gordon B Hancock

Gordon B Hancock

Mr Nat Elkus
2176 1/2 Beverly Glen Boulevard
Los Angeles 25 California

$15.00
15.

March 12, '52

Dear Mr. Puckette,

My own apologies!

I had my doubts, but I went ahead.

Let us hope no harm is done.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

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The Chattanooga Times

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March 11, 1952

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Much to my embarrassment my letter of March 3, to which you refer in your letter of March 10, was sent to the wrong person and the wrong organization. It was meant for Mr. H. M. Conway, Jr., Director of the Southern Association of Science and Industry.

However, the Regional Council may get some members out of these prospects (although I rather doubt it) and if so, no harm has been done.

Sincerely,

Charles McD. Puckette

Charles McD. Puckette

Mr. George Mitchell,
Executive Director,
Southern Regional Council,
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.,
Atlanta, Ga.

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See Housing for original letter from Mrs. St. Clair

March 14, 1952

The Most Rev. John J. Russell, D. D.
Cathedral of St. John the Baptist
114 Broad St.
Charleston, S. C.

My dear Bishop Russell:

Friends in Charleston have written us expressing the hope that you would take an interest in the Southern Regional Council and become one of its members. I asked Father Shean to urge you also to consider us.

Here are a couple of recent issues of the little magazine NEW SOUTH and copies of two good pamphlets. The blue one, as you know, the CCS is helping to get out.

The brown one with the map is "in general" and has a membership blank near the end.

Respectfully,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Dictated but not read.

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The Catholic Committee of the South

REV. MAURICE V. SHEAN, C. O.

P. O. BOX 895

ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA

March 5, 1952

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Doctor:

I spoke to Bishop Russell over the week end and I believe that he would be willing to become a member of the Southern Regional Council. I shall see him again this week.

May I suggest that you drop him a note and enclose a copy of the issue of "The New South" which speaks about the purpose and aims of the organization. I hope you were satisfied with the recent meeting.

If not before, I shall more than likely see you in Columbia after Easter.

Sincerely yours in Christ and St. Philip,

Maurice V. Shean, C. O.

Very Reverend Maurice V. Shean, C. O.
General Chairman

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February 25, 1952

Rev. Maurice V. Shean, C. O.
434 Charlotte Ave.
Rock Hill, S. C.

Dear Father Shean:

I forgot to take up with you when you were here a matter I had on my desk.

One of our good members in Charleston has corresponded lately with Bishop Russell on some matter, and wrote us, in good Charleston language, that she found him "a prelate of charm and tact." She wondered if we could get him to become a member of the Southern Regional Council.

I do wish he would join us; it would help a lot. Would you find it possible to explore whether Bishop Russell would be willing?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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March 26, 1952

Mr. Joe Watkins
148 Greenwood Pl.
Decatur, Ga.

Dear Joe,

Remembering your recent inquiry about SRC membership, I send you our "punch pamphlet," containing a membership blank toward the back. Also the policy statement adopted at the annual membership meeting in December.

Do join us. We would love to have you.

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun

SRC - Spec. Cultr.

May 20, 1952

Mrs. Louise G. Hutchins
President's Office
Berea College
Berea, Ky.

Dear Mrs. Hutchins:

All the way from Charleston Mrs. Childs says you would enjoy the enclosed article in this latest NEW SOUTH about Kentucky. Incidentally, Priscilla Robertson, who did it, is a cousin of mine by marriage.

Mrs. Childs thought perhaps you would become a member of this, our good Council.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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May 20, 1952

Mrs. McCall Pringle
12 Limehouse St.
Charleston, S. C.

Dear Mrs. Pringle:

Here is the last issue of our Council's small publication, with a particularly good story about things in Kentucky.

We would be delighted to have you as a member of the Council if you would care to join.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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June 5, 1952

Mrs. St. Julien R. Childs
73 King St.
Charleston 4, S. C.

Dear Mrs. Childs:

How very nice it is to correspond with self-acting people such as you!

Have I told you of the various items of better news? Charles Johnson got some people of means to send us $2,000, and the Steelworkers helped, and ILGWU, and the National Council of the Episcopal Church. And then the American Friends Service Committee found a way to get us a whole $10,000. So we are on our feet for some months, anyway. I expect to get used to our legs pretty soon.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mrs. St. Julien R. Childs - 73 King Street - Charleston 4, South Carolina

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May 28, 1952

Dear Dr. Mitchell,

it might be worth it to send copies of the Kentucky number of New South and invitations to join SRC to:

Mrs. Gindler Fitch
The Citadel, Charleston

and, as associate member,

Miss Sarah G. Blanding, president
Vassar College,
Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

Miss Blanding on both sides belongs to S.C. families though she grew up and taught (sociology?) for years in Lexington, Ky. Mrs. Fitch is a Lexingtonian, too, and both are liberal, broadminded people who would be really interested in these facts about Ky. even if ~~most~~ expensive memberships in other organizations make them reluctant to take on another. Mrs. Fitch's care, but not in letter to Miss Blanding.

Mention my name, if you like, in

Sincerely yours,
Marguerite Childs

June 5, 1952

Miss Sarah G. Blanding, President
Vassar College
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Dear Miss Blanding:

Somebody told us about your South Carolina and Kentucky roots and through you would like a copy of this issue of NEW SOUTH.

I send another item about the Council in general.

You must be too busy to join new things, but we would like you to take an interest in the SRC.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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June 5, 1952

Mrs. Girdler Fitch
The Citadel
Charleston, S. C.

Dear Mrs. Fitch:

Mrs. Childs told us of your Kentucky roots, and thought you would like to have a copy of the enclosed issue of NEW SOUTH.

Do take an interest in our Council if you can.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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June 17, 1952

Mrs. Sam B. Hyde
13 New St.
Charleston, S. C.

Dear Mrs. Hyde:

I saw Mrs. Margaretta Childs the other day, and she told me that she thought you might be interested in joining the Southern Regional Council.

I hear also we are kin or connected through the Easleys and Cary Robertson.

Here is Marion Wright's good speech and a recent article by Cary's fine New England wife.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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June 17, 1952

Mrs. J. R. Welborn Jr.
2801 Augusta Road
Greenville, S. C.

My dear Mrs. Welborn:

Thank you for the interest which you manifested in our publication (New South) during your recent visit to Atlanta.

We carefully checked our inactive as well as our active file but found no record of your membership. Will youn accept this special invitation to join our organization? Dues are only three dollars per year for single memberships; four dollars for joint husband and wife memberships.

Your check attached to the enclosed blank will be sufficient. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Katherine Stoney

Katherine Stoney
(ARS)

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August 28, 1952

Koinonia Farm
Route 2
Americus, Ga.

Dear friends:

I want to express my deep appreciation to all of you for putting me up and showing me around over the week-end. I particularly want to thank: Eleanor, for showing me around Saturday afternoon; Clarence Jordan, for further explanations about Koinonia; Billy, for letting me stay at her place and have breakfast with her; Jim and Marian, for the most interesting egg-grading demonstration and for Saturday night's conversation (together with Russ) on the porch; Gil for driving me in to town Sunday afternoon; and the cooks for the good food. I was sorry not to see more of Mrs. Jordan.

If any of you are ever in Atlanta, do come to see me. (Home address, 1798 Monroe Dr., NE. Phone, EL. 6986.) I would love to keep up the friendship and hear of your progress at Koinonia.

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun

P. S. Some of you, I am sure, know about the Southern Regional Council. I enclose some folders explaining what we do, and a membership blank, in hopes that Koinonia would like to become a member, at three dollars a year. I feel sure that you all and we are working for the same things in race relations, even though we go at it in different ways. Our latest project is a pamphlet telling how the police ought to behave in matters of race. Methodist ladies in quite a few counties in Georgia (including Sumter) have paid a visit to the sheriff, pamphlet in [illegible]

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October 9, 1952

Miss Jennie Flood
Methodist Community Workers
Roderfield, West Virginia

Dear Miss Flood:

Thank you for your letter of October 6th regarding membership in the Southern Regional Council.

Membership in the Council is open to any person who believes in its aims and principles. Since the territory in which the Council operates is the thirteen Southern states, its members are in those states. However, scores of persons who live all over the United States and in other countries are enrolled as Associate Members. They receive all the reports and publications of the Council and are urged to use any of our services such as supplying information, etc.

I am enclosing a membership form, a copy of the Statement of Policy and Aims of the Council and a list of our publications. Fees for Associate Members are the same as for members. If you should wish to subscribe for New South only, the rate is $1.50 per year.

We will be happy to welcome you as an Associate Member and to be of service in any way we can.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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METHODIST COMMUNITY WORKERS
RODERFIELD, WEST VIRGINIA

BLUEFIELD DISTRICT
WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

UNDER AUSPICES
WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE
OF THE
BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

Oct. 6, 1952

Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Ga.

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Dear Sirs;

We would like information concerning membership in Southern Regional Council. We would also like to have a list of publications available, particularly price of "Race and Law Enforcement".

Sincerely yours,

Jennie Flood

SRC - Executive

November 7, 1952

Mr. Larry Foley
Associated Newspapers Ltd. of Australia
229 W. 43
New York, N. Y.

Dear Larry:

Enjoyed your visit a lot. Hope you found a bed in Chattanooga.

I mailed you off a packet of things.

You are to become an associate member of the Council. The blank is on the back of the blue leaflet enclosed. We would let you off for free on the pamphlets sent up if you became a member, but if you for any reason can't join up, you ought to request on the firm for about a dollar and a half to reimburse us in our considerable poverty.

My children spent all breakfast the other morning talking about Australia, Perth, and black swans with red beaks. It turns out that the real attraction of the swan is that red and black are the colors of Druid Hills High School.

I will come to see you some pleasant day in New York.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E.

ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

November 11, 1952

Dear Blue Ridge Conferencer:

We would greatly like to have you as a member of the Council.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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UNITARIANS ATTENDING THOMAS JEFFERSON CONFERENCE, BLUE RIDGE, N. C.

Those checked at right received attached letter.

Adams, Annabell	389 Montford Ave. Asheville, N. C.
Adams, Beverly	" " " "
Adams, Mr. & Mrs. Walter S.	" " " "
Almeida, Mrs. J. L.	1023 Ashley Ave. Charleston, S. C.
Andrews, Mr. & Mrs. Tate	13 Canterbury Road, Asheville, N. C.
Baker, Mr. & Mrs. Lee L.	401 N. Osceola Ave. Clearwater, Fla.
Baker, Robert W.	" " " "
Bentley, Mrs. Bertha	P. O. Box 183 Swanannoa, N. C.
Blake, Mr. Glenn P.	Box #24 Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Fla
Boyce, Mr. Jack S.	25 Montview Drive Asheville, N. C.
Bregger, Mr. & Mrs. John T.	Clemson, S. C.
Bregger, Jack	"
Bregger, Margaret	"
Bregger, Louis	"
Canfield, Mr. & Mrs. Glenn O.	570 Clifton Way NE Atlanta 6, Ga.
Canfield, Ellen Louise	" " " "
Canfield, Carol Lynn	" " " "
Cardozo, Edward S.	1506 Park Ave. Richmond 20, Va.
Clemmons, Mr. & Mrs. T. E.	c/o Inter. Business Machines, Atlanta, Ga.
Clemmons, Marian	" " " "
Cornell, Mr. & Mrs. Geo. C.	Box # 6272 West Asheville, N. C.
Cornell, Karen	" " " "
Cromwell, Mr. & Mrs. Carroll	9½ Linden Ave. Asheville, N. C.
Enloe, Miss Mary	c/o Unitarian Church Knoxville, Tenn.
Fabrick, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur	16 Canterbury Rd. Asheville, N. C.
Farwell, Dr. & Mrs. David & 2 children	Vetrans Hospital, Jackson, Miss.
Fisher, Miss Genevieve	Monte Vista Hotel, Black Mt., N. C.
Flippo, Mr. & Mrs. Dale V.	3017 Shenandoah Ave. Charlotte, N. C.
Flippo, Hyde	" " " "
Flippo, Julie	" " " "
Fohrmann, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest	Snipes Lane, Annandale, Va.
Gallier, Mrs. Ted H.	1407 Westover St. Charlotte, N. C.
Greene, F. D.	316 Chattanooga Bank Bldg, Chattanooga, Te
Harrold, Phil	Box #543, Knoxville, Tenn.
Henry, Mr. & Mrs. Richard	Little Switzerland Road, Knoxville, Tenn.
Hobart, Mr. & Mrs. Alfred W.	51 Montague St. Charleston, S. C.
Hobart, Jimmie	" " " "
Hobart, Barbara	" " " "
Hobart, Miss M. H.	Lasalette Mem. Hosp. Loreauville, La.
Horne, Mrs. Thomas R.	714 Fairhope, Ala.
Husbands, Munroe	25 Beacon Street, Boston 8, Mass.
Husbands, Roger	" " " "
Jones, Mrs. Nettie Young	Vienna, Va.
Kennedy, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth R.	Little Switzerland Rd. Knoxville, Tenn.
Kennedy, Michael	" " " "
Lakin, Miss Inez	P. O. Box 183 Swannanoa, N. C.
Lewis, Mr. & Mrs. Malcom	1002 West Trinity Ave. Durham, N. C.
Lisle, Mrs. Aldine B.	309 Park Place Charlottesville, Va.
Lupton, Mr. & Mrs. Dilworth	101 N. Harrison St. Richmond 20, Va.
Lupton, Vicki	" " " "
Lyons, Mrs. Pearl W.	32233 Onoda Court Wayne, Michigan
Lyons, Marylin	" " " " "
Lyons, Perry	" " " " "
Mask, Mr. & Mrs. Homer B.	P. O. Box #3001 Columbia, S. C.
Mask, Peggy Susan	" " "
Melcher, Mr. & Mrs. W. R.	141 Coleman Ave, Asheville, N. C.
Melcher, Mary	N. C. Childrens Hospital, Gastonia, N. C.
Miller, Wayne	316 Chattanooga Bank Bldg, Chattanooga, Te
Milton, Ohmer	c/o Univ. of Tennessee Knoxville, Tenn.
Mitchell, George	63 Auburn Avenue NE Atlanta, Ga.
Moore, Mrs. Dudley	9 Park St. Boston 8, Mass.
Moore, J. R.	120 2nd Ct. N. Birmingham 4, Ala.
Nelson, Mrs. Betty	50 Park Ave. Asheville, N. C.
Newman, Mr. & Mrs. Harry G.	726 Alvaredo St. Jackson, Miss.
Panfield, Mrs. J. D.	c/o David Farwell, Vet. Hosp. Jackson, Mis
Peterson, Mr. & Mrs. Merlin D.	2007 Castleman Dr. Nashville, Tenn.
Peterson, Joseph	" " " "
Pierce, Mrs. M. M.	Black Mountain, N. C.
Porter, Mrs. Ruth M.	Burke, Va.
Reed, Mrs. Helen	Box #558 A Rt. #3 West Asheville, N. C.
Rieman, Rosalind	156 Seventh Street Atlanta, Ga.
Ross, Mrs. Pinkham	Wayne, Michigan
Ross, Elaine	" "
Rutledge, Mr. & Mrs. Ray W.	51 Strawberry Lane Clemson, S. C.
Scott, Mrs. George A.	4509 S. Sixth St. Louisville, Ky.
Seaver, Dr. & Mrs. H.	Box #560 Rt. #3 West Asheville, N. C.
Smith, Mrs. A. Brooks	20 Malvenr Ave. Richmond, Va.

Snell, Dr. & Mrs.	104 Orchard Place Oak Ridge, Tenn.
Snell, Lynn	" " " " "
Snell, Arthur	" " " " "
Staton, Mr. & Mrs. Ted L.	420 E. Amelia Ave. Orlando, Fla.
Stout, Mr. & Mrs. Don	179 Hunnewell Ave. Newton 58, Mass.
Suttles, Mr. & Mrs. F. L.	Rt. #5 Greensboro, N. C.
Southworth, Miss Emma Reid	Box 1014 Black Mt. N. C.
Thompson, Miss Lovelle	323 Villanova Rd. Oak Ridge, Tenn.
Titus, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest	c/o Unitarian Church Knoxville, Tenn.
Vockroth, Mr. & Mrs. E. G.	20 Malvern Ave. Richmond, Va.
Vockroth, Katherine	" " " "
Volker, Dr. & Mrs. Joe, Sr.	437 Sunset Dr. Vestavia Hills Birmingham,
Volker, Joe, Jr.	" " " " " "
Volker, Juanita Anne	" " " " " "
Voorhees, Mr. & Mrs. John	c/o Unitarian Church Knoxville, Tenn.
Walke, Roger T.	1101 Quail Dr. Greensboro, N. C.
Wiersema, Mr. & Mrs. Harry	3239 Dellwood Dr. Knoxville, Tenn.
Wiersema, Lila	" " " "
Wiersema, Alice	" " " "
Wiersema, Harry Jr.	" " " "
Williams, Mrs. Kate R.	2511 Sherrod Rd. Knoxville, Tenn.
Williams, Miss Mary	" " " "
Williams, Miss Dorothy E.	" " " "
Williams, Miss Helen F.	2315 NW Flagler Terr. Miami 35, Fla.
Wooden, Russell	Apt. 24, 215 E. Chestnut St. Asheville, N.
Yarnell, Mr. & Mrs. Sid	P. O. Box 177 St. Andrews, Charleston, S.
Yarnell, Pete	" " " "
Zubrod, Mrs. William B.	4509 S. Sixth St. Louisville, Ky.

In addition to above we had eight children out to the Sunday School from Asheville.

The following registered, paid their registration fee, but did not attend the Institute.

Almedia, Mr. J. L.	1023 Ashley Ave. Charleston, S. C.
Baker, Mr. & Mrs. Josef L.	506 S. Kenwood Ave. Chicago, Ill.
Janes, Mr. & Mrs. Andrew L.	2121 Gulf to Bay Bvd. Clearwater, Fla.
Jones, Mrs. Nettie Young	Shown in above list as attending
Lewis, Mr. & Mrs. Owen D.	822 Cloverdale Ave. Winston Salem, N. C.
Pearson, Dr. Norma	9-A Daniel St. Clemson, S. C.
Pringle, Dr. Duncan	159 Rutledge Ave. Charleston, S. C.
Rowland, Mr. & Mrs. Gil	35 Mountain View Ave. Greenville, S. C.
Rowland, Howard	" " " " "
Rowland, Miriam	" " " " "
Tuggle, William P.	c/o J. R. Moore address above

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November 18, 1952

Rev. John H. Davidson
2209 Cameron Mills Rd.
Alexandria, Va.

Dear Mr. Davidson:

Here is a leaflet about the Council.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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November 18, 1952

Mr. J. Flipper Derricote
918 F St., N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Derricote:

Mrs. Stoney, who called you some days ago about the meeting the other evening on behalf of the Southern Regional Council, said you wanted more information about it.

Here is a leaflet.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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November 18, 1952

Rabbi Norman Gerstenfeld
822 8th St., NW
Washington, DC

Dear Rabbi Gerstenfeld:

Mary Stoney said she talked with you the other day about the meeting for the Southern Regional Council and you wanted more information about SRC.

Here is a leaflet.

Many of your Southern friends are friends of ours.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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November 26, 1952

Mr. Wilbur B. Nolen, Jr.
Box 2068
Montgomery, Ala.

Dear Mr. Nolen:

My friend Morton Elder told me the other day at Rock Hill that you have done good things in Montgomery. He thought perhaps you would be interested in belonging to the Southern Regional Council. It has a number of members in Montgomery, among them Rev. Mr. Thrasher. The Alabama chairman is Rev. Dan Whitsett, at Sylacauga.

Here is a leaflet. We would greatly like to have you.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Bethlehem Center
920 NORTH BLAIR STREET
Jackson, Mississippi

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Dec. 8, 1952

Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave. N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Friend:

Please send some information on the Southern Regional Council to the following:

Mrs. Cecille Davidson, c/o Dr. Morris Davidson, Veterans Hospital, Jackson, Mississippi.

Mrs. J. Morgan Stevens, 702 North St., Jackson. (Mrs. Stevens is a former member & will renew.)

Mr. E. P. Ramson, ~~the State~~ Board of Education, State Office Building, Jackson - (also a former member)

Sincerely yours,

Ruby Berkley

Include also -
Mrs. R. E. Jordan, 1515 Lynchest. Jackson

sent
12/10/52
K.S.

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December 8, 1952

Mr. Scott Hamilton, Jr.
3304 Hill Rd.
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

Had I not been jumping down to Palm Beach and back over the week-end, you would not have been the first one to send in a letter. I had intended to write straight on back to you and praise you and thank you.

Do join the Council. You ought to be a member, and you will get NEW SOUTH, therefore, regularly.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:cc
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SCOTT HAMILTON, JR.
3304 HILL ROAD
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

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December 4, 1952

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I am glad to have had the chance of meeting and talking with you, and I hope, of meeting again sometime in the future. With best wishes.

Yours very truly,

Scott Hamilton Jr.

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January 2, 1953

Dr. George Turner
Asbury Seminary
Wilmore, Ky.

Dear Dr. Turner:

Mr. Gilbert James wrote me of your interest in the Southern Regional Council's field of activity.

We do hope you will join the Council.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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January 14, 1953

Miss Margaret A. Coleman
Box 96
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Miss Coleman:

I send you some recent issues of our little magazine and a few other items about the Southern Regional Council —coming separately.

We thought you might find the Council sufficiently close to your interests to become a member of it. We would greatly like to have you. There is a membership blank in the blue leaflet.

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun
Secretary to George S. Mitchell

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SRC - Calhoun

January 14, 1953

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Z. Brown
540 Twin Oak Dr.
Decatur, Ga.

Dear Fran and Bob:

Now that you all know what the SRC is, I hope you will want to become members.

I know you don't plan to stay in this part of the world forever, but if you leave we will keep you on as affiliate members.

There is a membership blank in the blue leaflet, and here are some copies of our little magazine, to show you what we've been working on lately,

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun

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January 14, 1953

Mr. R. R. Doak
1534 Logan Circle
Brookhaven, Ga.

Dear Bob:

Now that you know what the SRC is, I hope you and Betty will want to become members.

If you go to North Carolina, which I hope won't be any time soon, you will find plenty of our good members up there.

There is a membership blank in the blue leaflet, and here are some copies of our little magazine, to show you what we've been working on lately.

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun

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P. S. I hope Betty will soon be liberated and can come back to meeting.

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January 14, 1953

Mr. William A. Handley
1170 Donnelly Ave., SW
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Bill Handley:

We thought maybe you liked what the Southern Regional Council does well enough to become a member. We would greatly like to have you.

There is a membership blank in the blue leaflet, and here are some copies of our publication, to show you the trend of our work.

Come to see us sometime.

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun
Secretary to George S. Mitchell

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Same letter to various people who attended Friends Meeting Jan. 11, 1953, where GSM made a speech.

January 14, 1953

Mr. George B. Jenkins
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Jenkins:

I thought perhaps you would find the Southern Regional Council sufficiently close to your interests to become a member of it.

We would greatly like to have you.

There is a membership blank in the blue leaflet, and here are some copies of our publication, to show the trend of our work.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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February 4, 1953

Dr. T. C. Cothran
A. M. & N. College
Pine Bluff, Ark.

Dear Dr. Cothran:

When you can get around to it, you really ought to become a member of the Council. We need you.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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February 19, 1953

Mr. H. H. Strong
158½ Auburn Ave., NE
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Strong:

You ought to become a member of this Southern Regional Council. We would love to have you.

I send along separately some back issues of the little magazine we get out most months.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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This will interest you - PWB.

PAUL WHATSOEVER BARNHART

(PHILIPPIANS 4:8-9)

Hayden Ariz.

910 WEST TURNEY AVENUE

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

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February 20, 1953

Mr. Paul W. Barnhart
Hayden, Ariz.

Dear Mr. Barnhart:

How very kind that was of you to send us the most interesting clippings on the segregation matter in Arizona. The other papers we saw gave much less full accounts.

We return the compliment with the last several issues of NEW SOUTH.

We would like to have you as a member of the Council. Would it interest you? See the blue booklet, WHAT KIND OF SOUTH DO YOU WANT?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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March 18, 1953

Mr. Edwin George Vassian
Box 338
Georgia Tech
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Edwin:

I'm sending you separately a little packet of things about the Southern Regional Council.

We would, of course, be happy to have you as a member; and we particularly hope you will tell any of your Georgia friends about us whom you think might be interested in what we're doing.

It was nice meeting you the other day at Rosalind's.

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun
Secretary to Executive Director

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March 20, 1953

Rev. Marshall J. Ellis
St. George's Church
132 N. 10th St.
Griffin, Ga.

Dear Mr. Ellis:

I am sorry we got mixed up. We called out at St. Philip's, and they gave us your name as Chairman for Christian Social Relations. We learned today that the really, truly chairman is the Rev. Mr. Shank at Christ Church in Macon. And we have sent on to him a copy of the letter and material we sent to you.

How very kind of you to read all of that and to write us appreciatively.

I will be glad to send you NEW SOUTH for the next four or five months, but truth to tell, we are too poor to have a free mailing list, and hope that some day you will become a member of the Council, at a whole three dollars a year, and thus receive NEW SOUTH straight along as part of your subscription. Note blank on back of enclosed pamphlet.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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GRIFFIN, GEORGIA

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MAR 19
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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I was pleased to receive your letter of March 12 regarding the meeting of the Council to be held on Friday, March 27. It will be impossible for me to attend on that date, but I want you to know that I am especially interested in the work of the Council and appreciate the invitation.

I have enjoyed reading through the literature and the minutes of previous meetings which you enclosed. Bravo for the work of your Council. I will appreciate your putting my name on the Council's mailing list. I particularly like the little magazine which you publish.

As a matter of fact, I am not the Chairman of Christian Social Relations for the Diocese of Atlanta. I am Chairman of Christian Education; but I am glad the mistake occurred.

Sincerely yours,

Marshall J. Ellis

Marshall J. Ellis

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March 31, 1953

Miss Frances Tiernan
Central High School
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Miss Tiernan:

I do hope you have got enough things, and if we can send you any more, for Goodness sake, let us know, and we will.

I sent Anna Holden from the office up to the meeting, but couldn't get there myself, for which I am sorry.

We hope that on the night of April 19 you will fill out the membership blank on the back of the enclosed leaflet and send it in. We need more Tennessee members and more Chattanooga members and more high school sociology members. Which is to say we need you!

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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MAR 25
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Chattanooga, Tennessee
March 23, 1953

Dear Dr. Mitchell,

Don't imagine that Joe Hamilton and I are not bosom friends, especially because we are the only High School teachers of Sociology in Chattanooga and Hamilton County! We have gone to the Southern Sociological Meetings together for years, and have charge of registration for this Convention. We hope to see you there. Joe and I have been gathering materials for my lecture, but the trouble is, in boiling it down to a reasonable length, so we both thought of you (What grammar!). If you had known, I bought a box full of pamphlets in the Fall, but I do not have all that you sent to me. Thank you so very much. I have at last made my outline and these will be helpful.

About the membership in the Council,

I'll be happy to join next month - about April 20. As I use your materials all the time, I could have joined before. This is the first time I have been invited. I hope to see you on Friday.

Sincerely yours

Frances Tiernan

March 20, 1953

Miss Frances Tiernan
Central High School
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Miss Tiernan:

The best I can do is send you the last couple of years of our small magazine NEW SOUTH. The various articles won't touch all the topics you want, but perhaps will cover a good many.

Josephine Hamilton, now or sometime in the Chattanooga school system, is remarkably well informed on the things that you are interested in.

Maybe we could get you to become a member of the Southern Regional Council. That would bring you NEW SOUTH regularly. There is a blank on the back of the leaflet called WHAT KIND OF SOUTH DO YOU WANT?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

Dear Sir Central High School
Chattanooga, Tennessee

I have quite a lot of material on the industrialization of the South but I need some information — the very latest — on the results on the people of this industrialization. In other words what changes in the lives of the people — what social problems have resulted and what are the social trends of the future in the South. Can you help me?

Sincerely Frances Tiernan

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Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

April 21, 1953

Mr. Alfred Maund
State Teachers College
Livingston, Ala.

Dear Mr. Maund:

How very kind of you to send over the excellent story, which we greatly appreciate. And your generous praise of the speech was, I must admit, welcome.

Mighty nice to find two good, warm supporters. When you are well settled, the two of you should become members of the Council.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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State Teachers College

LIVINGSTON, ALABAMA

April 16, 1953

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APR 16
Southern Regional Council

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Enclosed is the account of your speech here that appeared in the Birmingham Post-Herald. The same story also ran in that afternoon's Birmingham News. If the Associated Press picked it up and you saw anything in out-of-state papers I would greatly appreciate your letting me know.

My wife and I enjoyed your talk and greatly admire you for bringing the undiluted Word to Sumter County. In other forums, with far less hostile audiences, I have seen speakers trim their sails in abasement to local sensibilities. You, wisely and courageously, did not. Often it is the better part of valor to play the goat, because lambs don't have horns.

If there should be any Council project we might help with, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Alfred Maund

Alfred Maund

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April 29, 1953

Mr. Arthur C. Churchill
National Farm Labor Union
825 Victor Bldg.
824 9th St., N. W.
Washington 1, D. C.

Dear Mr. Churchill:

Many thanks for your letter. Here is a membership blank.

We have always been closely interested in agricultural matters, but I must admit have not printed a lot on it. I send you separately two things and some other recent issues of NEW SOUTH.

Do join us. We would like to have you.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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NATIONAL FARM LABOR UNION

AFFILIATED AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR

825 Victor Building 724 9th Street, N. W.

WASHINGTON 1, D. C.

Phone: REpublic 6613

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APR 29
Southern Regional Council

P.O.Box 443
Memphis,Tenn.
Apr. 27,1953

Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave.,N.E.
Atlanta,Ga.

Dear Sirs:

I would like to know your membership fees as I think I would like to join after talking with A.E.Cox of Cruger,Miss. I also would be glad to know of any recent studies you may have on the rural South that might bear on the agricultural worker.

Very truly yours,

Arthur C. Churchill

Arthur C.Churchill
Minister to Farm Labor
Congregational Christian Churches

June 1, 1953

Mr. David H. Scull
Box 175, Route 1
Annandale, Va.

Dear Dave:

We all enjoyed you. Long life and success!

Many thanks for the dope on the Arlington group. I have written as enclosed to the various ones. Do persuade them to like SRC, and join it.

Our other Arlington and Alexandria members are:

Mr. Donald Becker, 715 S. Washington St., Alexandria
Miss Ellen C. Burke, 1200 Quincy St.
Miss Connie B. Chissell, Hopkins House Association, 1312 Princess St.
Mr. Earn N. Contee, Sec'y., Alexandria Chapter, Virginia Commission on Interracial Cooperation, 328 N. Patrick St.
Mrs. M. E. Evans, 115 South West St.
Mr. James Howard, 620 N. Alfred St.,
Rev. Kenneth G. Phifer, P. O. Box 682

Dr. R. L. Hunt, 709 S. Adams St., Arlington
Mr. Shelby A. Robert, 3380 N. Dickerson St., Arlington

No members in Fairfax or Falls Church.

Appreciatively,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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June 1, 1953

Mr. Louis Lautier, President
Community Council for Social Progress
3015 S. 18th St.
Arlington, Va.

Dear Mr. Lautier:

Dave Scull came down to our May 14 annual meeting, and brought a warm account of the Community Council. What you do makes us kinfolks, and I do hope you and some of the others will join the Southern Regional Council, and let us have that much of a formal link. NEW SOUTH comes out most months, and may occasionally give you useful information or a steer.

I am an old Arlingtonian myself, and delight to think that you and your friends are trying to do the needful thereabouts.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Encl.

June 1, 1953

Mrs. Albert L. Ritchie, Treasurer
Community Council for Social Progress
146 S. Barton St.
Arlington, Va.

Dear Mrs. Ritchie:

Dave Scull came down to our annual meeting and told me about the Community Council. You and we are for much the same things, and I do hope you and the other officers, at least, of C.C.S.P., will scratch around for the three bucks membership fee in the Council. We need more good Virginians!

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Encl.

June 1, 1953

Mrs. Charles E. Planck, Secretary
Community Council for Social Progress
3234 N. Pershing Dr.
Arlington, Va.

Dear Mrs. Planck:

Dave Scull came down to our annual meeting and told me about the Community Council. You and we are for much the same things, and I do hope you and the other officers, at least, of C.C.S.P., will scratch around for the three bucks membership fee in the Council. We need more good Virginians!

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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June 1, 1953

Miss Dorothy T. Pearse, Vice-President
Community Council for Social Progress
1213 N. Wayne,
Arlington, Va.

Dear Miss Pearse:

Dave Scull came down to our annual meeting, and told me about the Community Council. You and we are for much the same things, and I do hope you and the other officers, at least, of C.C.S.P. will scratch around for the three bucks membership fee in the Council. We need more good Virginians!

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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DAVID H. SCULL

Box 175, Route 1
ANNANDALE, VA.

May 27, 1953

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George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear George:

I mentioned briefly to you a group meeting in Arlington which I thought might be interested in the SRC. Enclosed is a ~~xxxxxx~~ newsletter from the Community Council for Social Progress. Their program during the past year has been mainly concerned with discrimination against Negroes in housing, education, recreation, voting, etc.

I would like to suggest that you send copies of your SRC descriptive pamphlet and 1 or 2 typical issues of the New South to the 4 officers listed. They are having an Executive Council meeting next Wednesday, June 2, which is why I am sending this Air Mail. You might say in a covering letter to Lautier (who is a Negro newspaper man but I forget which papers he represents) that you would appreciate an opportunity to acquaint their members with the SRC since you understand from me (Scull) that your purposes are nearly identical, and you might offer to send additional material either in bulk or to the names on their list.

The next membership meeting is June 21 and Lautier told me they would just be having a summary of the year's program and would be glad for me to take a few minutes to speak on the SRC.

I guess that is the last meeting this spring. I would hope very much that next fall you might be up this way some time and that we could arrange for you to speak. I think that for the moment we might tell them what our set up is, and of needing a state organization in Va., but just concentrate on getting some individual members and later see if we could get them in en masse.

Is your list of Arlington-Alexandria-Falls Church-Fairfax members too long to send me a copy? It might be useful both in talking with this group and in meeting others for possible development of an area organization.

Thanks much to you and Alice for you hospitality and for a chance to get acquainted. Pyro-benzamine forever!

Dave

THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL PROGRESS

Arlington, Virginia May 12, 1953

NEWSLETTER

THE NEXT MEETING will be Sunday, May 24, 1953, 7:30 P.M., at the Unitarian Church of Arlington, Virginia, 4451 South First Place, Arlington, Virginia.

FACTS ABOUT THE TENANTS ON NOTICE TO VACATE THE PUBLIC HOUSING ADMINISTRATION PROJECTS will be given by the Housing Committee, followed by discussion of appropriate action to be taken by the Community Council for Social Progress.

THE ROCHDALE COOPERATIVE OF VIRGINIA will serve the refreshments for the May meeting. There will be no charge for the refreshments, as the Cooperative is opening a store in Falls Church soon, and wants to demonstrate its products to new friends. Credit for making this arrangement goes to Mrs. Winn F. Finner, Chairman of the Hospitality Committee.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL PROGRESS is given below, in response to inquiries from new members, prospective members, and friends.

MEMBERSHIP - open to anyone in Northern Virginia who agrees with the aims of the group.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT - membership dues of $1.00 a year, plus anything left over from the 25¢ charge for refreshments at each meeting.

VOLUNTEERS do all clerical and other work in the Council.

OFFICERS:
President, Louis Lautier, 3015 South 18th Street, Arlington.
Vice-president, Dorothy T. Pearse, 1213 North Wayne, Arlington
Secretary, Carolyn Planck (Mrs.Chas. E.) 3234 N. Pershing Drive, Arlington
Treasurer, Beatrice Ritchie (Mrs. Albert L.) 146 S. Barton St., Arlington
N.B. Those who are in arrears will want to get in touch with the treasurer.

PURPOSE OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL PROGRESS:

To promote by individual, group and community action the full development of democratic principle in human relationships.

The Council seeks the support of the constructive forces of the community, of all faiths, to unite individuals into a community organization working to extend to residents of all races, religions and national backgrounds the full rights, privileges and responsibilities of life in our community, and full participation in its institutions and facilities. The Council hopes thereby to advance friendliness, courtesy and justice in human relations.

These are C.C.S.P. objectives: to inform the community of such inconsistencies as exist, and the possibilities for overcoming them; to make available to children and grownups intercultural opportunities for extending the foundation of harmonious personal relationships; and to seek where necessary modifications of legal and administrative regulations and procedures through the duly constituted channels - legislative, political, and judicial - provided for their modification.

The Council believes that there can be no better way of strengthening democracy and the hope of world peace than for responsible citizens to join wholeheartedly in working for the practical application of our country's commitment to liberty and justice for all, beginning in our own community. As it becomes increasingly apparent that Communist propaganda is promoting the idea that no one cares about racial justice except Communists, the objectives of the Council become increasingly urgent.

The Council realizes that the effectiveness of this program demands that it be undertaken in a considerate spirit, with a constant awareness of responsibility to the entire community to foster a solid atmosphere of good will.

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Mr. David H Scull
Box 175 Route #1
Annandale, Virginia

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July 29, 1953

Miss Grace P. Hooks
2907 Griffin Ave.
Richmond, Va.

Dear Grace:

I'm sending you separately a packet of things about the Southern Regional Council. Do join us and get some of your friends to join us. There's a membership blank on the back of "What Kind of South Do You Want?"

The central office here in Atlanta serves mainly as an information center and co-ordinating agency. We have to depend on our members in the State organizations to initiate local action programs. In most States there is a State Division of the SRC, but in Virginia we work through the Department of Christian Social Relations of the Virginia Council of Churches. The director of that is Emerson Smith, 109 W. Grace St., Rm. 202, Richmond. The chairman is Carroll Brooke, pastor of Trinity Episcopal Church in Staunton. Mr. Brooke and a small committee are keeping us posted on the school situation in Virginia and are attempting to start in various communities over the State discussion groups of white and Negro citizens who will plan for bringing their communities around to obeying the Supreme Court decision, whatever that may be.

The Fellowship of the Concerned is a good thing that was Mrs. Tilly's brainstorm. She works part-time for us and runs the Georgia Interracial Committee. Women who go and sit in the courts get concerned about all sorts of things not directly related to race, such as juvenile delinquency, bad housing, and alchoholism.

Here is a list of our Richmond members, in case you know some of them:

Dr. Theodore F. Adams	Wilson M. Brown	J. Levering Evans
Wayne Batty	Reuben Clay	Gordon B. Hancock
Ida Bilger	Virginius Dabney	Ruth B. Hawes
H. H. Bozeman	J. M. Ellison	Dr. Rachel Henderlite
Dr. & Mrs. Dilworth Lupton	J. H. Hodges	Mrs. Julia Hill
	Henry McGuinn	David C. Morton

July 29, 1953, Miss Grace P. Hooks

Rev. T. E. O'Connell
Clarence T. Rives
Ruth D. See
A. Brooke Smith
Emerson Smith
Dr. & Mrs. W. Taliaferro Thompson
Rev. Henry St. George Tucker
Paul D. Williams
Rev. John L. Fairly
Theodore Freedman
John S. McMullen
W. M. Thompson
Reuben Alley
Aubrey N. Brown
Dr. Garis T. Long
Irving May
John N. Wessells

Anything else you want to know about the Council just write and ask me. I think you'll get a good bit of information from the pamphlets if you can find time to wade through them.

I enjoyed knowing you this summer and hope our paths will cross again. Your sense of humor was a particular inspiration to me, and I'm struggling to develop one myself, to offset my tendency toward a persecution complex. Looks as tho I'll be at Pendle Hill this fall if I can find my boss here another secretary. What fun I'll have getting up every morning at 6:00 to dig in the garden!

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun

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July 29, 1953

Dryden L. Phelps
1800 Thousand Oaks Boulevard
Berkeley 7, Calif.

Dear Dryden:

I'm a little hazy at this point as to just what else you wanted to know about the Southern Regional Council. I'm sending you a packet of things that may help.

Our main project at present is concerned with the school segregation question. We're trying to get the various State Divisions to form discussion groups in local communities (people of both races), to consider ways of influencing public opinion within the community to accept the Supreme Court decision, whatever that may be. We collect information from our thirteen states about school segregation and public opinion and send out a newsletter, so people interested in this matter can keep up with what people in other states are doing.

The Fellowship of the Concerned was the brain child of Mrs. Tilly, who works for us and runs the Georgia Interracial Committee, and activates the consciences of Methodist ladies all over the South to work for worthy causes. By sitting in on the courts, they become concerned with all sorts of things not directly related to race--juvenile delinquency, housing, and alchoholism. She hopes to put them to work soon contacting local voting officials in Southern communities where Negroes are discouraged from voting.

Community self-surveys work wonders where they have been done. We have had orders from all over the country for our manual telling people how to do it.

I find that we have several members in Los Angeles (that is where you're going, isn't it?) and one in Berkeley, who would probably be glad to give you the low-down about us. They are:

Cy W. Record, Dept. of Sociology, Rm. 23, Wheeler Hall, Berkeley. (Strangely enough, we don't have the title of the university listed, but he gets his mail at that address.)

Wesley Brasier, 2510 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles. (I think he's an Urban League man.)

Olive M. Stone, Dept. of Social Welfare, University of California, Los Angeles

Milton A. Senn, Anti-Defamation League, 590 N. Vermont Ave, Los Angeles

Leonard M. Sperry, 29 Oakmont Dr., Los Angeles

If any of your church members move to this part of the world, be sure to put them in touch with us. And if there's anything else you want to know about SRC, write and ask me.

I will always remember you as the man during whose lectures it was hardest to go to sleep. It was most interesting to hear about specific changes that are taking place in China. If you ever get tired of preaching, you might take on the job of giving dancing lessons to prospective Baptist ministers! Beth, of somebody, told me you remarked that I was "pretty frisky." Thanks for the compliment!

Looks like I'll be back at Pendle Hill this fall, typing John Hobart's letters and getting expert instruction in farming from Lee Stern, if I can find a secretary for my present boss.

The Pendle Hillers gave us a rousing send-off in the middle of a deluge of rain. Everybody had told everybody else good-bye, and I was about to cry at the thought of never seeing anybody again, when Will Kysekla had the happy inspiration of kissing all the girls good-bye. By the time he and Dan got through with that, the train had come, and we went off in high spirits.

Best of luck with your interdenominational church.

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun

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July 29, 1953

Mr. Charles Livermore
1502 City Hall
Buffalo 2, N. Y.

Dear Chuck:

Good meeting and good to be there and good to see you in action. You are doing the best job we have ever had done.

You very kindly said I should send you a couple of blanks about the Council. Herewith.

Do see if you can find us some member-helpers.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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July 29, 1953

Mrs. Mary Wathen
Station WDIA
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Mrs. Wathen:

I saw my friend, Mr. Parrish of Louisville, the other day, and he told me you are a good egg.

We thought maybe you would want to join the Council (blank on the back of the biggest leaflet). Guaranteed to be well-behaved, but we hope, tactfully and sensibly pushful.

Here are some recent issues of our maggie.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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August 4, 1953

Dr. D. V. Cason
Hapeville First Baptist Church
Corner College & Fulton
Hapeville, Ga.

Dear Dr. Cason:

It was nice to meet you and Hank last night, and so encouraging to find that you and other Baptist ministers share our concerns.

I'm sending you separately a whole bunch of material about the Southern Regional Council, including its history and information about some of our projects of recent years, and the last couple issues of our little magazine—and a membership blank (on the back of the pamphlet "What Kind of South Do You Want?").

I think you will be particularly interested in The Fellowship of the Concerned, which was the brainchild of Mrs. M. E. Tilly, who runs the Georgia Committee on Interracial Cooperation, also in the Wesley Memorial Building. Most of the women who work with the Fellowship are Methodists, working through the WSCS, but Baptists and anybody else who believes in what they do are most welcome. The mimeographed folder tells about some of the many social evils that the ladies have become concerned with as a result of sitting in on the courts. There's also a map showing the Georgia counties where Fellowship of the Concerned members have visited sheriffs with the little blue booklet, "Race and Law Enforcement," to encourage the sheriffs to do like the little book says.

Our most recent project is working with our State organizations to form small interracial discussion groups in communities all over the South to plan ways of getting public opinion within the community to accept and obey whatever may be the Supreme Court's decision this fall about school segregation. Discussion groups have been started in Charleston, South Carolina, and Jackson, Mississippi, and plans are under way to get one started in Atlanta very soon.

The only SRC member I find listed in Hapeville is Mrs. Ines B. Tillison, 3321 Myrtle Street. She used to work for the Council and could tell you anything else about us that you want to know.

Sincerely,

Emily Calhoun
Sec'y. to Executive Director

Miss Sarah Hissah
1914 E. Broad St
Richmond Va.

Your SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL membership renewal becomes due this month.

If you can send this in promptly it will help us and will save in time and expense as well, and insure your receiving Council publications.

We thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Haney
Secretary-Treasurer

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If your dues have just recently been sent, please disregard this notice.

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

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I enclose dues for the current year as follows: (check one.)

Single membership	$ 3.00	_____
Husband-wife membership	4.00	_____
Contributing membership	5.00	_____
Supporting membership	10.00	_____
Sustaining membership	25.00	_____

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Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Please Dont sent any more letters and Bills Miss Sarah Hissahn is away in a another town. and will not belong To your counsil

NOV 9 1951

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Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs Margaret Moore
Lincoln Ants
Winter Park, Fla.

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Sustaining membership	25.00	_____

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Stanley Pulcl
11-9-51

Name _____

Address _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

I'm sorry, but doctors', dentists' oculists' and druggists' bills, with a fixed income worth half as much as ten years ago, make it impossible for me to renew my membership. But I'm doing what I can here. M. Moore

NOV 12 1951
Southern Regional Council

Your SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL membership renewal is [redacted] due.

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We thank you for your cooperation.

(Miss) Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

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Please take us off the membership

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

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Husband-wife membership	4.00	_____
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Supporting membership	10.00	_____
Sustaining membership	25.00	_____

Name Mr. & Mrs. E. L. Kanty

Address 7170 Cove Ave
Auburndale Mass

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Please take us off the membership list.

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NEW SOUTH
issued by
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

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Date 11-16-51

Dear Reader:

The last issue of the New South which was addressed to you as follows was returned unclaimed:

~~#~~ 2080 N. Decatur Rd.
Apt 4
Atlanta, Ga.

Sincerely yours,

NEW SOUTH

My correct address is:

NAME Robert Scranton
~~Rober~~

ADDRESS 1183 Emory Drive NE

DATE Nov 17 1951

But I regret very sincerely that I feel compelled to give up paying dues.

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Southern Regional Council

Your SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL membership renewal becomes due this month.

If you can send this in promptly it will help us and will save in time and expense as well, and insure your receiving Council publications.

We thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

If your dues have just recently been sent, please disregard this notice.

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

I enclose dues for the current year as follows: (check one.)

Single membership	$ 3.00	_____
Husband-wife membership	4.00	_____
Contributing membership	5.00	_____
Supporting membership	10.00	_____
Sustaining membership	25.00	_____

Name _____

Address _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Please cancel membership.
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63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Date 1-16-52

Dear Reader:

The last issue of the New South which was addressed to you as follows was returned unclaimed:

Miss Lillie Hundley
Wayland College
Plainview, Texas

Sincerely yours,

NEW SOUTH

My correct address is:

NAME Lillie Hundley

ADDRESS 1428 Cerrillos Rd
Santa Fe, N. M.

DATE Jan. 29, 1952

Withd

February 4, 1952

Mrs. James A. Bull
Talcottville, Conn.

Dear Mrs. Bull:

Thank you for your letter of January 28th. We are sorry that you find it impossible to continue your membership in the Council. Please be sure that we appreciate the support you have given us and if, at any time in the future, you find it possible, we shall be glad to have you as a member again.

The issue of New South for January, 1952 is being sent to you. After that it will be discontinued as per your request.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Southern Regional Council

Mrs. James A. Bull
~~56 East 102nd Street~~
~~New York City 29, New York~~

Talcottville, Conn.
January 28, 1952

Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr Mitchell:

As of December 1951, I am paid up in my dues ~~until~~ through 1950-1951. I find that I am unable to continue as a member of the Council, at least for some time, due solely to my own financial position. This in no way reflects any displeasure with the organizations policy. I believe you do a very good work and I am sorry I cannot continue my support.
Please discontinue my copies of "New South" and send me a bill for whatever I may owe over

and above my last payment.

Yours truly,
Ruth E. Bull (Mrs James A.)

W Hall

ROLLINS COLLEGE
WINTER PARK, FLORIDA

February 4th, 1952

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Southern Regional Council

Miss Katharine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
Room #432, 63 Auburn Ave., NE
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Miss Stoney:

With prices going up and professor's salaries remaining low, I regret to say I shall be unable to continue my membership in the Southern Regional Council.

Very truly yours,

A. J. Hanna

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FEB 11 1952
Southern Regional Council

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 1-18-51 for the year 1951. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Please remove my name from your mailing list.

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, 3 Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership	$ 3.00	_____
Husband and wife membership	4.00	_____
Sustaining membership	10.00	_____

NAME Rt. Rev. PAUL MATTHEWS, D. D.
433 East New England Avenue

ADDRESS P. O. Box 152
Winter Park, Florida

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

According to our records your last payment of dues to the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL was on 5-12-50 for the year 1950. We value you as a member and would like to keep you. We would very much appreciate your sending in your payment as soon as you find it convenient.

RECEIVED FEB 18 1952 Southern Regional Council

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

If you have sent in a payment recently, please disregard this notice.

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership at $3.00 per year $_____

Husband-wife membership at $4.00 per year $_____

NAME (Rt. Rev.) John D. Wing

ADDRESS Winter Park, Florida

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Because of my retirement & reduced income must regretfully resign my membership

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February 28, 1952

Mr. Jerome Lawlicht
Sociology Dept.
University of Kentucky
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Mr. Lawlicht:

You are the very kind of member we most hate to lose.

Our State Divisions, for everyone's lack of funds, cannot employ paid personnel, and that nearly always means that they do disappointingly less than would be good. But one job of active local members is to find ways to get more done.

In the Council or not, I am sure you will keep at work at the job.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Feb. 26, 1952

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FEB 27
Southern Regional Council

Dear Mr. ~~or~~ To Whom it May Concern,

~~Since~~ you have sent me several requests for a renewal of my membership in the past few months, I feel I owe you a brief explanation of my failure to comply. It has not been due to negligence but to my viewpoint about membership in the SRC.

To put it concisely, I have come to believe that from my viewpoint, it is almost senseless to contribute $3 a year to the SRC (period) That is, I believe in the aims of SRC quite strongly; I also believe that any con-

tribution I make to furthering these aims should be far more than just monetary. I am not an individual who can contribute ~~any~~ large ~~sums~~ of money & who doesn't want to be ~~bothered~~ beyond that. I have plenty to do but I've learned I can make time for those matters I consider important. I am also aware that an organization like SRC needs ~~money~~, even in small sums, & that most people probably would not agree with me fully & do as I am doing. However, I have decided that with organizations such as SRC, whose aims I believe in, & who I think should function so as make use of the abilities of its members who desire to participate, I will no longer

continue a contributing membership unless I can really participate (i e, beyond attendance at a state meeting once a year — this is only <u>token participation</u>).

This is not a viewpoint which I have arrived at easily & without due consideration. I have long been ~~a~~ interested in & concerned with the area of intergroup relations (it has been one of my major interests in my 3 years of graduate work) & have had contact with persons affiliated with several of the major intergroup relations agencies, & I have learned about their functions, methods etc & have tried to understand the reasons for their effectiveness or lack of it, etc.

I could continue at much length but stating viewpoints in a letter is a tedious process. (The fact that I have to do so is one example of what I mean)

I hope you will give some consideration to my statements & opinions & bring them to the attention of others. I'm sure the staff has thought & talked about this, but just talking isn't enough.

Of course, you can just react to this by saying that I'm just one person (#3) & thank goodness many others don't do the same, throw this letter in the wastebasket, & not even bother replying.

I hope you don't. (As a point of information, I have tried to participate according to my definition but without success)

Yours truly,
Jerome Lanthicht

Note
Change of Address

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MAR 3 1952
Southern Regional Council

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 3-27-50 for the year 1950. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney
Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, 3 Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership	$ 3.00	_____
Husband and wife membership	4.00	_____
Sustaining membership	10.00	_____

PLEASE DISCONTINUE

NAME Chas. A. Hines

ADDRESS Greensboro, N.C.

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

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MAR 4 1952
Southern Regional Council

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 3-15-50 for the year 1950. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

2 yrs.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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3-5-52
ARS

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, 3 Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership	$ 3.00	_____
Husband and wife membership	4.00	_____
Sustaining membership	10.00	_____

I find that my demands are stronger than my means to support them.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ Please cancel membership

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

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This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 7-5-50 for the year 1950. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

3-5-52
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APR 4 1952
Southern Regional Council

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, 3 Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership	$ 3.00	_____
Husband and wife membership	4.00	_____
Sustaining membership	10.00	_____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Do not care to continue
Verne Rhoades

RECEIVED
MAR 6 1952

According to our records your last payment of dues to the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL was on 6-30-50 for the year 1950.
We value you as a member and would like to keep you. We would very much appreciate your sending in your payment as soon as you find it convenient.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney
Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

If you have sent in a payment recently, please disregard this notice.

3-5-52 ARB

Please inform Katherine Stoney that

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership at $3.00 per year $_____

Husband-wife membership at $4.00 per year $_____

NAME_____

ADDRESS_____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Mrs. James McReynolds, 235 N. Jackson, Starkville Miss. died last August, 12. Please have her name removed from your mailing list. Sincerely, Sarah McReynolds

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THE FOSTER POTTERY COMPANY

EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO

MANUFACTURERS AND AGENTS FOR ALL CLASSES OF

PLAIN AND DECORATED CHINA, GLASS AND ENAMELED WARE

SOUTHERN OFFICE
G. F. HANKINS, Manager

LEXINGTON, N. C.

March 5, 1952

RECEIVED
MAR 7 1952
Southern Regional Council

Southern Regional Council, Inc.

Atlanta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

The Foster Pottery Company has gone out of business and we are no longer contributing to your organization.

Yours very truly,

G. F. Hankins

G. F. Hankins

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This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 3-14-50 for the year 1950. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

2 yrs.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, 3 Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership	$ 3.00	_____
Husband and wife membership	4.00	_____
Sustaining membership	10.00	_____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Dear Sir I doe no
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about this
member Stipe

Very respe
S M Gordon

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MAR 10 1952
Southern Regional Council

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 6-7-50 for the year 1950. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Due
1951
1952

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

I only subscribed for 1 yr and did not wish to renew later.

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, 3 Georgia

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I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership	$ 3.00	_____
Husband and wife membership	4.00	_____
Sustaining membership	10.00	_____

Do not want to renew at this time -

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Mrs. Ben Arnold

According to our records your last payment of dues to the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL was on 5-24-50 for the year 1950. We value you as a member and would like to keep you. We would very much appreciate your sending in your payment as soon as you find it conve[redacted]

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

If you have sent in a payment recently, please disregard this statement.

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, Georgia

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I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership at $3.00 per year _____

Husband-wife membership at $4.00 per year _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Please discontinue my membership

Check rec'd - 3/18/52

Greensboro, N.C.
March 14, 1952

Miss Katharine Stoney
Treasurer Southern Regional
Council,

Dear Miss Stoney,

Please find enclosed my Check for three dollars, for the 1951 membership in the Council.

Since I am no longer in active social work, and practically retired as an Effective Volunteer, I think best to discontinue membership in the Council at the age of 85 years!

I am interested, sympathetic and believe in the work the Council has done.

Sincerely Yours,

(Mrs.) Bertha P. Newell
2221 Friendly Road

(over)

P. S.

March 18, 1952.

My dear Miss Storey,

I found this page of my letter to you on my desk this morning and the stub of my check book corresponds to the check I wrote for $300.00. Evidently I sent the check but not the letter.

March 31st will show when I get my returned checks.

Sorry I messed this remittance up.

Yours truly

Bertha V. Y[redacted]

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MAR 18 1952
Southern Regional Council

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on Dec. 1949 for the year 1950. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

I did not convey my subscription to your magazine shld. not have been sent me. Please stop it. I shall soon have this address it will ask P.M. to return papers to you from post office should it come.

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, 3 Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership	$ 3.00	dues
Husband and wife membership	4.00	
Sustaining membership	10.00	

3-20-52 Thanks

NAME Miss Susan L. Allston

ADDRESS Georgetown, S.C.

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

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MAR 31 1952
Southern Regional Council

According to our records your last payment of dues to the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL was on 10-16-50 for the year 1950.
We value you as a member and would like to keep you. We would very much appreciate your sending in your payment as soon as you find it convenient.

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

If you have sent in a payment recently, please disregard this statement.

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership at $3.00 per year _____

Husband-wife membership at $4.00 per year _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

I thought I had paid last year's dues. I have to discontinue for awhile for I'm getting ready to go to the Orient - Perhaps later I can renew - Sincerely, Lillie Hendley

4/4/52

Dear Miss Stoney,

I regret to inform you that I will no longer be able to continue my membership in the council.

I have enjoyed the association and have profited from the information I have received.

Thank you —

Mrs. Norman Sargent

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Bulletin
4-7-52
AKS

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership at $3.00 per year _____

Husband-wife membership at $4.00 per year _____

NAME Mrs. Chas. F. Karnopp

ADDRESS 461 Linden St. Winnetka, Ill

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

RECEIVED
Southern Regional Council

Dear Miss Stoney: My small contributions to the Council in the past have been contributions,

(over)

rather than dues -
Please list me as
contributor, not as
Member -. I am sorry
not to send a larger
contribution'.

M. I. K.

april - 1952

I am sorry to have to withdraw from membership but I am moving to New York

According to our records your last payment of dues to the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL was on 1-29-51 for the year 1950.
We value you as a member and would like to keep you. We would very much appreciate your sending in your payment as soon as you find it convenient.

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
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Atlanta, Georgia

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APR 23 1952
Southern Regional Council

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership at $3.00 per year _____

Husband-wife membership at $4.00 per year _____

NAME R. W. France

ADDRESS Winter Park, Fla.

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

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APR 23 1952
Southern Regional Council

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 1-24-51 for the year 1950. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Due
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1952

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership $3.00 _____
Husband-wife membership $4.00 _____
Sustaining membership $10.00 _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

4-22-52

Mr. Smith Johnston died 11-4-51

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4-25-52

MARION A. WRIGHT, LINVILLE FALLS
PRESIDENT
CARTER WESLEY, HOUSTON
VICE-PRESIDENT
GORDON B. HANCOCK, RICHMOND
VICE-PRESIDENT
ALFRED MYNDERS, CHATTANOOGA
VICE-PRESIDENT
ALBERT W. DENT, NEW ORLEANS
VICE-PRESIDENT
GEORGE S. MITCHELL
EXECUTIVE-DIRECTOR
KATHERINE STONEY
SECRETARY-TREASURER
HAROLD C. FLEMING
DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION
MRS. M. E. TILLY
IN CHARGE OF WOMEN'S WORK

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ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVENU[redacted]

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

April 24, 1953

RECEIVED
APR 28
Southern Regional Council

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Meredith
710 Clay St.
Lynchburg, Va.

Dear Msgr. Meredith:

We would greatly like to keep you on as a member of the Council and to continue to send you NEW SOUTH. If our records are right, your dues were last paid in May 1951. If you can send in current dues, at least, we can carry you straight along as a valued member in the best of standing.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

Monsignor Meredith died Jan. 28th 1953.
You may take his name off your list

Sincerely Yours
(Rev) Albert P. Campbell

Card marked
4/28/53

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FRANCIS J. HEAZEL
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW
ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

April 27, 1953

FILED
APR 29
Southern Regional Council

Mr. George S.Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I did not pay my dues after May, 1951, because I concluded I could not continue my membership in the Southern Regional Council.

I find that I have membership in too many organizations at the present time and I am cutting down on some of them. This is why I am not continuing my membership in the Southern Regional Council, and I, therefore, cannot comply with your request and send you a check for the dues as indicated in your letter of April 23rd to me.

Yours truly,

Francis J. Heazel

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J. Ashton Greene And Associates

EXPORTS IMPORTS *SHIPPING AGENTS* *FREIGHT FORWARDERS*

MAIN OFFICES: TRIAD BUILDING
BATON ROUGE, LA.

BOX 2452, CUSTOM HOUSE
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

RECEIVED
APR 28 1952
Southern Regional Council

My dear Miss Stoney:

I am not renewing because I feel that I can better expend my efforts through other organizations and channels.

Cordially,

Ashton Greene

4-28-52
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F.M.B. 1359
CABLE: JAGCONG

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APR 28 1952
Southern Regional Council

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 11-9-50 for the year 1951. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership $3.00 _____
Husband-wife membership $4.00 _____
Sustaining membership $10.00 _____

NAME Mrs. Harry Blumenthal

ADDRESS 3132 Olavia St.

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Baton Rouge La.

Please accept my resignation as of this date

Mrs Harry Blumenthal

4-28-52
Return to Stoney

SRC - Memb
~~Correspd~~

MIAMI LATIN CENTER

1200 N. E. Miami Court
Miami 32, Florida

RECEIVED
APR 30 1952
Southern Regional Council

April 28, 1952

The Southern Regional Council
Room 432
63 Auburn Ave.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear sir:

My address has changed from 1130 N.Rampart, New Orleans 16, Louisiana. to the above address. Please remove my name from your file. I was a newcomer to New Orleans at the time I expressed interest in this group and its objectives. I paid the membership dues and expected to participate in the program in New Orleans for the year when I was a student there but there were no more meetings for students called and I was informed of no other. I cannot pay membership dues into so many groups of which I cannot be a participating member because my funds as a "home missionary"- social worker under Church auspices, are limited. I believe in your purposes and promote them so far as one person is capable in groups of which I am a part but would withdraw from from this group as a member unless sometime comes when I can be a participating member in other respects than simply financial.

Very sincerely,

Mary L Bope

PRS
4-30-52

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership $3.00 $3.00
Husband-wife membership $4.00 _____
Sustaining membership $10.00 _____

Mrs.
NAME Johnnie L. Campbell
ADDRESS 312 New St. DeLand, Fla.

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Mr. Geo. W. Campbell, died Dec. 26, 1951. (My Husband.)

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Southern Regional Council

Dr. Arville Fragnone

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Southern Regional Council

According to our records your last payment of dues to the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL was 7-7-52 for the year 1952.

We value you as a member and would like to keep you. We would very much appreciate your sending in your payment as soon as you find it convenient.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

If you have sent in a payment recently, please disregard this statement.

Please discontinue my subscription.

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership at $3.00 per year 6.00

Husband-wife membership at $4.00 per year

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Southern Regional Council

NAME

ADDRESS

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Mrs. H. K. Riggins

AKS 5-9-52

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MAY 7 1952
Southern Regional Council

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 3-19-51 for the year 1951. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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5-9-52
ARS

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership $3.00 _____
Husband-wife membership $4.00 _____
Sustaining membership $10.00 _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Discontinue.
J P Brown

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MAY 8 1952
Southern Regional Council

According to our records your last payment of dues to the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL was on 3-16-50 for the year 1950.

We value you as a member and would like to keep you. We would very much appreciate your sending in your payment as soon as you find it convenient.

Due 1951 1952

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

If you have sent in a payment recently, please disregard this statement.

Mr George V Fulp is Deceased
Please Discontinue Membership

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We value you as a member and would like to keep you. We would very much appreciate your sending in your payment as soon as you find it convenient.

Due 1951 1952

Thank you for your cooperation.

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Secretary-Treasurer

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Rocky Mount N.C.

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PS 5-9-52

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Single membership at $3.00 per year _____

Husband-wife membership at $4.00 per year _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Signed - Cecilia A. Davis

According to your records, I have paid in advance for what I subscribed for, and have not requested that it be continued, nor have I had time to read it.

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 3-26-51 for the year 1951. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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Husband-wife membership $4.00 K.S.
Sustaining membership $10.00

ok ARS

NAME Mrs. Jas. T. Porter
ADDRESS 1207 S. Boulevard, Charlotte 3 N.C.

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Mr. Porter died March 8, 1952 and I am sorry but I am not able to continue all his Benevolences, however I am enclosing $3.00 for this year only -

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I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership at $3.00 per year _____

Husband-wife membership at $5.00 per year 2 yrs. June 1950 to June 1952 $8.00 K.S. _____

5-12-52 ARS

NAME Rev. & Mrs. E. Homer Miller

ADDRESS Bridgeport, Texas

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

This remittance pays (according to your statement) our dues till June, 1952. With deep regret we discontinue our membership, but hope to subscribe later to new South.

FROM P.O. Box 505
Salisbury, N.C.

SALISBURY
MAY 8
3 PM
1952
N.C.

GIVE
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Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 1-29-51 for the year 1951. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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Husband-wife membership $4.00 _____
Sustaining membership $10.00 _____

OK ARS 5-9-52

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Rev Kirby

Left here Aug. 1951
Please omit.
J. G.

Nov. 12

THE METHODIST CHURCH
NEW ORLEANS AREA
ROBERT N. BROOKS, RESIDENT BISHOP
631 BARONNE STREET
NEW ORLEANS 12, LA.

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May 9, 1952

Southern Regional Council
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Due to illness, Bishop Brooks will be unable, at this time, to renew his membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. He hopes to be able to send you a contribution later on.

Very truly yours,

Frances Budgett
Secretary to Bishop Brooks

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Husband-wife membership $4.00 X
Sustaining membership $10.00 _____

K.S.

5-16-52
Apr

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Mr. Kinard has been dead almost a year now but I am sending this for both of us. I wish I could do more. I believe so thoroughly in the rightness & final success of your work. Lee W. Kinard

FROM Mrs James P. Kinard
Black Mountain
Rte. 1 N.C

BLACK MOUNTAIN, N.C.
MAY 13
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MAY 15 1952
Southern Regional Council

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 6-25-51 for the year 1951. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
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ARS
5-16-52

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership $3.00 _____
Husband-wife membership $4.00 _____
Sustaining membership $10.00 _____

Please cancel my membership.

NAME Dorothy Beard

ADDRESS 122 Crest St.; Rock Hill, S.C.

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

RECEIVED
MAY 20 1952
Southern Regional Council

According to our records your last payment of dues to the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL was on 4-24-50 for the year 1950.

We value you as a member and would like to keep you. We would very much appreciate your sending in your payment as soon as you find it convenient.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
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Dropped 5-21-52

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership at $3.00 per year _____

Husband-wife membership at $4.00 per year _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Please discontinue my subscription
Mrs. Dorothy N. Russell
2024 Sumter Street
Columbia, South Carolina

According to our records your last payment of dues to the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL was on 9-5-50 for the year 1950.

We value you as a member and would like to keep you. We would very much appreciate your sending in your payment as soon as you find it convenient.

Due 1951 1952

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
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MAY 26 1952
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I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership at $3.00 per year 3.00 *

Husband-wife membership at $4.00 per year

KS.

NAME Marie L. Brock

ADDRESS 530 E. Miner St, West Chester, Pa.

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

* I think this $3.00 is for the first-year. If so, discontinue for the future.
correct discontinue next year
as of 5/26/52 KS.

Very truly,
M. L. Brock.

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MAY 27 1952
Southern Regional Council

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 8-14-51 for the year 1951. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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Sustaining membership $10.00 _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Please allow our membership to expire. We hope to renew our relationship with your

Fine organization at a later date.

J. E. Welch

a KS 5-28-52

FROM 433 McCarroll Road
Warrington Branch
Pensacola, Florida

CHAPEL HILL
MAY 26
4 30PM
1952
N. C.

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Room 432

BIBLE COLLEGE OF MISSOURI
COLUMBIA, MISSOURI

VLADIMIR E. HARTMAN
DEPARTMENT OF THE RURAL CHURCH

June 5, 1952

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JUN 9 1952
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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Attention: Miss Katharyn Stoney

Dear Miss Stoney:

Since I am outside the Southern region I will not continue my membership with the Council.

I would, however, like to continue to receive the bulletin. Will you please send this to me and bill me for the same?

Sincerely yours,

Vladimir E. Hartman

Vladimir E. Hartman
Chairman, Department
of the Rural Church

VEH:bc

Bill + note sent
6/9/52 KS.

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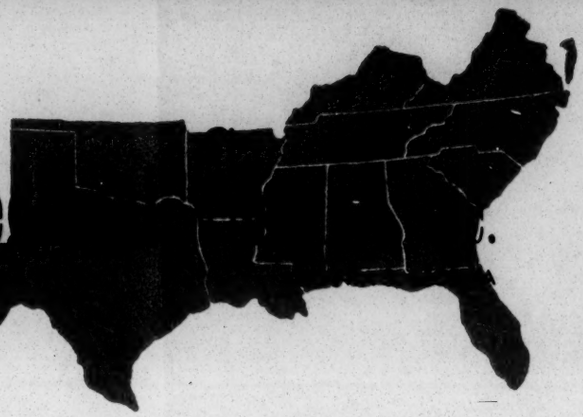

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June 11, 1952

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JUN 16 1952
Southern Regional Council

Mrs. H. H. Hickman
4114 McGregor St.
Columbia, S. C.

Dear Mrs. Hickman:

You have been a faithful member of the Council, going back to 1946. But if our records are right, your dues were last paid in March, 1950.

If you will cover 1951 or 1952 (both, if you can), we will be very grateful.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

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Answering above - since 1950 when my husband was retired at 65 our income has been so greatly reduced - I had to curtail financial expenditure to many causes - Regret not lack of interest has caused my delay in sending dues - but must ask no more bills be sent me. Regretfully
(Charlotte A Hickman)
Mrs H H

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JUN 18 1952
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Rev. A. Schonhart, C. SS. R.
Newton Grove, N. C.

Dear Father Schonhart:

You have been a faithful member of the Council, going back to 1947. But if our records are right, your dues were last paid in October, 1950.

If you will cover 1951 or 1952 (both, if you can), we will be very grateful.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

This shouldbe addressed to Rev. Timothy Sullivan, CSSR at Newton Grove, Sampson Co., N.C.; I have continued the subscription from this house, but I do not know if the subscription of Newton Grove, where I was at that time has been continued. God bless you and your work for the SRC.

Devotedly,

A. Schonhart CSSR

(Rev.) A. Schonhart CSSR.

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June 12, 1952

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JUN 16 1952
Southern Regional Council

Mr. J. Bailey Owen
North Garnett St.
Henderson, N. C.

Dear Mr. Owen:

We greatly value you as a member of the Council and want to keep you. But if our records are right, you last sent in dues in March, 1950. Do bring it up to cover 1951 or 1952 (both if you can), and we will rejoice.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
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George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

Mr. Owen died on November 3rd 1950

Mrs. Owen

a RS 6-16-52
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JUN 17 1952
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June 13, 1952

Mr. W. D. Farthing
Boone, N. C.

He died earlier this year

Dear Mr. Farthing:

We greatly value you as a member of the Council and want to keep you. But if our records are right, you last sent in dues in March, 1950.

Do bring it up to cover 1951 or 1952 (both if you can), and we will rejoice.

Sincerely,
George S. Mitchell
George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. M. B. Fowler
The Fidelity Bank
Durham, N. C.

Dear Mr. Fowler:

We greatly value you as a member of the Council and want to keep you. But if our records are right, you last sent in dues in March, 1950.

Do bring it up to cover 1951 or 1952 (both if you can), and we will rejoice.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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aRS

As requested on two occasions before, please discontinue my membership.

M. B. Fowler

6/16/52

NATIONAL COTTON COUNCIL OF AMERICA

POST OFFICE
BOX 18

MEMPHIS 1,
TENNESSEE

RECEIVED
JUN 16 1952
Southern Regional Council

Dear Sir:

Mr. D; C. Whittle has not been with us for some time, now.

He is serving in the Armed Forces in Germany at present.

Yours truly,

Jane Jones

Jane Jones
Office of Public Relations

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June 11, 1952

Mr. D. C. Whittle
National Cotton Council
Box 18, Empire Bldg.
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Whittle:

Any chance I can get our Cotton Council member to send in some current dues? You were good about it in '49 and in '50, but there's a blank since then. Pay it up if you will, and we'll be most grateful. (Three dollars a year)

With warm regards,

George S. Mitchell
gc

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

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First Unitarian Church
FOURTH AND YORK STREETS
Louisville 3, Ky.

MINISTER
ROBERT T. WESTON

TELEPHONE WAbash 3922

June 19,1952

RECEIVED
JUN 23 1952
Southern Regional Council

Mr. George S. Mitchell

Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir: I left Spartanburg last Sept., and should have informed you at the time but just failed to do it.

I have been so tied down with my new work that I haven't taken the time to find out what kind of activity that the Council carries on here in Louisville. I did ask one or two leaders about the Council, but they knew nothing of it.

For the time being you had better drop my name from membership, since I have been such a poor one and am not in a position to be active at the present.

Respectfully,
John B. Isom
John B. Isom

OK
GRS
6-23-52

SRC - Mems.
Resigs

CHILDREN'S BUREAU

211 CAMP STREET - ROOM 502 - RAYMOND 2366

NEW ORLEANS 12, LA.

July 3, 1952

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3
Georgia

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JUL 7 1952

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I regret that I am not in a position to continue my membership in the Council. Good luck to you in your endeavors.

Sincerely,

Adela Hutson

(Mrs.) Adela Hutson

AH:oc

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MRS. ROBERT LINDSTROM, VICE-PRESIDENT
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A Community Chest Red Feather Service

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July 3, 1952

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JUL 23 1952
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Dr. Vernon Miller
School of Law
University of San Francisco
San Francisco 17, Calif.

Dear Dr. Miller:

You have been a faithful member of the Council, going back to 1949. But if our records are right, your dues were last paid in March, 1950.

If you will cover 1951 or 1952 (both if you can), we will be very grateful.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

I am sorry I have neglected you — I left homeward in June of 1951 — I am sending my check for the 1951 dues but I shall not continue as a member — I do have good interests out here.

V. X. M.

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, Georgia

I enclose dues payment as follows:

Single membership at $3.00 per year 3.00

Husband-wife membership at $4.00 per year

NAME Vernon X. Miller

ADDRESS U. of San Francisco, San Francisco 17

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Jan 1951

JUL 23 1952
Southern Regional Council

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ABS
7-23-52

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AUG 7 1952
Southern Regional Council

Mrs. J. M. Plant
415 Roosevelt Dr.
Tallahassee, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Plant:

You have been afaithful member of the Council, going back to 1945. But if our records are right, your dues were last paid in February, 1950.

If you will cover 1951 or 1952 (both if you can), we will be very grateful.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

At no time have I paid any such dues. I have no idea where you found my name and previous address. Please do not annoy me with more literature -

Mrs. J M Plant

Payments on book indicate that she did pay in 1948, 1949 & 1950 -

8/7/52 K.S.

SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
SEMINARY HILL, FORT WORTH, TEXAS

SOCIAL ETHICS
T. B. MASTON
RALPH A. PHELPS, JR.

RECEIVED
JUL 29 1952
Southern Regional Council

July 26, 1952

Southern Regional Council
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue N E
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Gentlemen:

I should have written you previously if I have not, and I have cancelled my membership in the Council.

I have a genuine appreciation for the work the Council is doing, but my teaching load in recent years has shifted insuch a way that I found it advisable to cancel my membership in a good many societies and agencies.

With best of wishes to you in your work, I am

Sincerely,

T B Maston

T. B. Maston

TBM:lt

7-28-52
GRS

DIVISION OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION OF THE
BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK 11, N.Y.

SECTION OF HOME MISSIONS
DEPARTMENT OF TOWN AND COUNTRY WORK

July 30, 1952

RECEIVED
AUG 1 1952
Southern Regional Council

"New South"
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Mr. John C. Harmon Jr. is no longer connected with the Methodist Board of Missions, therefore it is no longer necessary for you to send us your publication "New South".

Sincerely yours,

Virginia Nestell

Mrs. H. K. Nestell

(Former secretary to Mr. Harmon)

8-1-52
ARS
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According to our records your last payment of dues to the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL was on 8-50 for the year 1950.
We value you as a member and would like to keep you. We would very much appreciate your sending in your payment as soon as you find it convenient.

1951
1952

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

If you have sent in a payment recently, please disregard this statement.

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NAME I. D. FELDER

ADDRESS ABC APARTMENTS
1206 MANSFIELDS AVENUE, N. E.
~~ATLANTA, GEORGIA~~

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

As I wrote you when I sent in my last check (1950), I do not anticipate sending in another.

I D Felder

7-31-52

Aug. 16, 1952

Dear Sirs -

Please remove my name from your mailing list. We do not agree with your views on so many vital questions, and do not want your literature here -

Yours truly,

Mrs. John H. Robinson
1706 Bruce Ave.
Charlottesville, Virginia

This was a gift
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Mrs Robinsons
request.

August 19, 1952

Dear Miss Storey:

Thank you for this reminder. I regret that I have to write to ask that you not renew my membership. I find that it is impossible for me to be a member this year.

With best wishes in your constructive work.

Yours very truly,
Hope P. Northington
(Mrs. Jay Northington)

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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NAME Charlotte and Ralph Bridgman

ADDRESS 608 Virginia Toledo 10, O

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

If we should move South again, yes!

9/26/52

George,

Sorry, but we cannot "keep up with all the good causes in which we are interested, with our "professional income, and many interests in Toledo.
Our best wishes.
Ralph

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September 23, 1952

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I have your letter of July 3, but have been unable to answer it since I was away all summer. On June 12, 1952 I sent you a check for $6.00 covering dues for 1951 and 1952. In checking our records, we note that the check was cashed. The check was made out on the account of the Teaching Aids Service of the college. Perhaps that confused you. If you will check your records, you will find, no doubt, that you received the check.

Please cancel our subscription for 1953.

Yours very truly,

Emma Fantone

Emma Fantone, Director
Audio-Visual Aids Service

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I have dues to pay for so many things it seems to me this is one organization I had best drop.

Mrs. R. L. Eglee

Jackson Miss

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According to our records your last payment of dues to the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL was on Jan. 22, 1957 for the year 1951.
We value you as a member and would like to keep you. We would very much appreciate your sending in your payment as soon as you find it convenient.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

If you have sent in a payment recently, please disregard this statement.

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ADDRESS _____

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(over)

I am keenly interested in this work and would like so much to remain a member, but circumstances beyond my control make it impossible for me to keep up the dues at this time. This, however, shall not prevent me from giving my support in any way possible, and perhaps later on I can take up my membership again.

Sincerely
Elizabeth Bugg.
(Mrs Sam).

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This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 8-13-51 for the year 1951. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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NAME John C. Heinrich
ADDRESS P. O. Mt. Silinda S. Rhodesia, Africa

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

Sorry I can no longer keep up the subscription. We have a few racial problems here too!
Cordially,
John C. Heinrich

4/4/55

SRC
resign.

July 29, 1953

Hon. Colgate W. Darden, President
University of Virginia
Charlottesville, Va.

Dear Mr. Darden:

Many thanks for your letter of July 25. We quite understand and sincerely appreciate all you said.

The Council, like everybody else, is in a difficult spot on the approaching decision. Our Negro membership seems unanimous in wishing the complete end of segregation in schools, and, of course, the white membership is of many different views. We have been trying for two or three years now to get across to the South the lesson that whatever the Court says we must all obey, fully and in good spirit. As it is possible that the Court would end segregation in the schools, we have tried to prepare the way for that possibility, too, if it should come. But I think our central emphasis has been on mere compliance.

It is true that at the Board and membership meetings late in 1950 a policy statement governing the Council was adopted which says that the South of the future will be one in which segregation will be seen as imposing a cruel and unnecessary burden on the human spirit. So that our position certainly encompasses unsegregated schools if they should be ordered.

My own personal view as George Mitchell, independent of the Council, is that the statesman-like solution is for the Court to over-rule State constitutional or statutory requirements of segregation in any instance in which schools are not completely equal. That would have the effect of giving local school jurisdictions the choice of making the schools completely equal or of opening a single set of schools to all. I hope that quite a number of localities, mostly in areas with comparatively small Negro populations, would then admit Negro children to their schools. This example could spread progressively to areas with larger Negro populations, which obviously are going to be more reluctant to put the schools together. Whether it is possible or likely that the Court will rule in this way, of course, none of us know. I should think that in Virginia quite a number

of communities in the northern and southwestern parts of the State would open the schools in this way if they had opportunity and encouragement.

Meanwhile, we are busy trying to work out a program of local bi-racial discussion groups to collect the facts about the schools in each community and bring together a small body of citizens of both races who have thoughtfully considered the various possibilities.

We all hold in highest honor your own career and, in particular, the aid you gave the whole South in urging Negro members on school boards. Surely, that is indispensable to any final solution. If widely taken up, I believe it would relieve the tension on the school matter in most Southern communities.

With the greatest respect,

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Southern Regional Council

July 25, 1953.

Dr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.,
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Please excuse my delay in replying to your letter of May 28th. I have been most remiss in the matter of my dues, and I send you herewith a check for $6.00 to cover the years 1952 and 1953.

Your letter came just as I was on the point of writing you. I have been troubled in recent months as to my own situation in relationship to the Southern Regional Council, although that trouble has had nothing to do with my failure to send in my dues, which arises out of pure negligence.

I have with reluctance come to the conclusion that I should tender my resignation as a member of the group. My decision rests upon what appears to be a basic difference of opinion. From the recent issues of the New South, I gather that the Council is sympathetic to the abolition of segregation in the primary and secondary schools. President Wright, in his address to the Ninth Annual Meeting, appears to reflect this view. It is one to which I cannot subscribe.

I was a witness in the Prince Edward County case when it was tried in Richmond last year, and I testified that, in my opinion, it would be a mistake for us to recede from segregation in the public schools. I believe such a step would impede rather than improve public education in the Southern states. There is no question but that segregation has been used time after time as the shield for discrimination and oppression. For this there is no justification or excuse.

I believe it is possible for us to provide in the public school system an equality of opportunity for the segregated races if we are willing to do so. Nor do I believe the cost beyond the means of our people.

#2. Dr. Mitchell.

I was very much pleased to see the selection of Negroes for school board work. I think they will make a valuable contribution.

I am sorry not to be able to carry on, more especially in view of my interest in the things with which the Council has concerned itself.

Sincerely,

Colgate W. Darden, Jr.

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 12-20-50 for the year 1951. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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NAME Mrs. Estelle O. Young / 1531-S-N.W.
Washington D.C.
ADDRESS Passed Sept. 15, 1951

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

W. B. Young

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memb - withdrawals

I regret that retirement and increasing age make necessary my withdrawal frommost organizations to which I belong. I am sorry that I cannot renew membership in the Southern Regional Council

E. B. Hallman, Spartanburg, S. C.

E. B. Hallman

This is to remind you that it is time to renew your membership in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL. According to our records your last payment of dues was on 3-2-51 for the year 1950. We value you as a member and will appreciate your sending in your payment for the coming year as soon as possible.

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Katherine Stoney

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

June 10, 1950, 10:00 A.M.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council met at 10:00 A.M. on June 10 at the Council's offices. After the invocation by Dr. Guy Johnson, the roll call showed the following members present:

Mr. Leonard Haas
Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Miss Josephine Wilkins
Mr. Paul D. Williams
Mr. Marion Wright

Staff members present were:

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Mrs. Norma Huff
Mrs. Jane Simpson
Miss Beth Rogers

Mr. Glenn Rainey and Mr. John Griffin, members of the Finance Committee, were present for part of the meeting.

In the absence of Dr. Charles Johnson, Chairman of the Executive Committee, Mr. Paul Williams, President of the Council, presided.

Under Unfinished Business, discussion turned to possible reorganization of the governing bodies of the Council. A number of members felt that the Board of Directors of the Council was unduly large. With 72 members the body could not be expected to fulfill the constitutional function as principal policy-making organ for the Council. It was also thought that, in the Council's present financial difficulties, the annual cost of approximately $1,000 for convening the members of the Board was a heavy commitment. Others pointed out that, since, under the by-laws, the Board convenes within one day of the annual membership meeting, to which it is subordinate, its deliberative function is necessarily foreshortened.

Mention was made of the fact that, though the by-laws set an up-

per limit of 72 to the Board, no minimum is set, and that it might be possible to reduce the size of the Board by simply not filling vacancies as they come up. A total of 19 vacancies will be due at the annual meeting in 1950. It is also the case that, of the 19 persons whose terms will expire in 1950, 8 will have completed two terms and therefore under the by-laws will be ineligible for re-election. Among these are some of the most faithful supporters of the Council's program.

Some opinion was expressed to the effect that constitutional reorganization is both laborious and upsetting at a time when the Council's financial needs are great, but the Committee favored reorganization. The ideas dominant pointed toward a single committee, probably with not more than 17 members, as a working Board, which might or might not establish an Administrative Committee for interim and non-policy decisions. Such a working Board would presumably convene at least four times a year. With some exceptions, the Committee favored the establishment of an Advisory Board containing a numerous group of the Council's more prominent friends.

On motion of Mr. Wright, it was voted that the Executive Director be instructed to propose to the September meeting of the Executive Committee such changes in the by-laws as would provide for a small working Board and enable the September meeting to make its own recommendations as to an Advisory Board.

Various staff members reported on program during the interval since the last meeting, mentioning in particular the Greenville Survey, the growth of the Fellowship of the Concerned, contacts with the American Jewish Committee relating to the Genocide Convention, the statement by the Executive Director relating to the Supreme Court decisions, and the work of the Finance Committee in preparing a path of campaign for obtaining a large number of additional Sustaining Members.

Arrangements were made for Mrs. Simpson, as Research ~~Associate~~ Assistant, to be present at a forthcoming meeting of a subcommittee of the National Conference of Christians and Jews at which funds might be allocated for assistance to a Self-Survey in Rock Hill, South Carolina.

Mr. Marion Wright undertook to visit Greenville with a view to arranging occasions at which further support for the Council's work might be sought in that city.

Mention was made of the interest of the Council and the Georgia Interracial Committee in trying to get the Governor of Georgia to follow suit with nearly all other Southern governors and appoint to the delegation to the White House Conference on Children and Youth some Negro delegates.

Mr. Williams and Mrs. Tilly reviewed a recent trip to Washington, D. C., when efforts were made to find new sources of aid.

The Council had had gratifying notices in various newspapers. Possible forthcoming articles in national magazines were discussed.

The Executive Committee then voted the following to membership on standing committees:

The Committee on Resolutions

Mr. Marion Wright, North Carolina
Dr. Gordon Hancock, Virginia
Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton, Georgia

Standing Committee of the Membership
to Nominate for Vacancies on the Board of Directors

Mrs. Hortense Young, Kentucky, Chairman
Miss Caroline Gillespie, South Carolina
The Rev. Mr. Emerson Smith, Virginia
Dr. E. B. Perry, Texas
Mrs. C. B. Smith, Tennessee

Standing Committee of Board Members
to Nominate for Vacancies on the Executive Committee

Mr. John A. Griffin, Georgia, Chairman
Dr. Gordon Hancock, Virginia
Mrs. James S. Crate, Texas

Among the names suggested for possible Board membership in the event that the present Board is continued were: Mr. E. C. Wall, of South Carolina; Mr. Paul Mellon, of Virginia; Mr. Louis Strauss, of Virginia; Mr. R. Beverly Herbert, of South Carolina; Mr. Webster Rhoads, of Virginia; Mr. William Hepburn, of Georgia, and Judge Blanton Fortson, of Georgia.

On the suggestion of Miss Wilkins that the Council revive the idea of getting the Town Meeting of the Air to take on our next annual meeting, Mr. Williams undertook to explore the matter further, in New York.

After discussion of the proper place for the 1950 annual meeting, it was voted that it should be held in Atlanta, notwithstanding the view that we should find a way to meet perhaps every other year in a city other than Atlanta.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer follows:

Sources of Revenue

April 19, 1950 - May 31, 1950

Balance in Bank, April 18, 1950		$ 724.43
RECEIPTS:		
General		
Dues	$553.50	
Sale of Miscellaneous Lit.	121.32	
New South subscription	12.50	
Lecture fees	150.00	$ 837.32
Contributions		
Foundations:		
William C. Whitney Foundation		500.00
Organizations:		
United Steel Workers		1,000.00
Church Sources:		
Catholic	100.00	
Episcopal	15.00	115.00
Other Sources:		
Membership Contributions	56.00	
Special Efforts:		
Alabama	108.00	
Georgia	647.50	
Abram-Haas Effort	250.00	

Kentucky	$274.00	
*Louisiana	435.00	
Mississippi	225.00	
North Carolina	177.00	
South Carolina	347.00	
Tennessee	658.00	
Texas	170.00	
Virginia	422.00	
$100 Letter Campaign	50.00	
Mrs. E. Roosevelt	100.00	$3,919.50
Other Sources: Exchange	74	
Refunds	89.~~72~~	
Withholding Taxes	529.55	
State Divisions	233.50	852.79
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE IN THE PERIOD		$7,949.04

*Includes $300.00 from Edgar Stern Family Fund.

Statement of Liabilities

June 8, 1950

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

Stein Printing Company	$842.70	
Dr. George S. Mitchell - salary	625.00	
State Divisions	804.75	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		$2,272.45

OTHER LIABILITY:

Thomas F. Byrd - nine months' note		6,000.00
Dr. George S. Mitchell - loan		1,500.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES		$9,772.45

The status of the State efforts in response to the arrangements made by the emergency Board meeting on April 22 was reported as follows:

Status of State Efforts As of June 9, 1950

	Pledged	Paid
Alabama	$ 500.00	$ 208.00
Florida		150.00
Georgia	2,350.00	1,155.50
Kentucky	1,000.00	260.50
Louisiana	500.00	469.00
Mississippi	1,000.00	232.00
North Carolina	2,000.00	185.00

South Carolina	$ 1,250.00	$1,010.25
Tennessee	1,000.00	825.00
Texas	500.00	172.00
Virginia	800.00	432.00
TOTALS	$10,900.00	$5,099.25

Estimates by Committee members as to sums which might reasonably be expected to come in in addition from the various State efforts amounted to a total of approximately $4,500.

The staff gave most cordial praise in particular to Mr. J. M. Dabbs of South Carolina and the whole South Carolina Division for the remarkable manner in which they had exercised themselves to raise the sum pledged in that State, and also expressed appreciation of the other States which had nearly met their undertakings.

Mr. Griffin stated that he was confident that the total sum to come in from Georgia would amount to $2,155.

Mr. Williams and others reviewed probable large contributions. The Committee therefore reached the conclusion that the Council would have sufficient funds to carry its program along on the present reduced basis through the month of October, probably without payment on its obligations to Mr. Byrd and Dr. Mitchell.

In discussion of the "50 for '51" campaign, to increase membership for 1951 by 5,000 ten-dollar memberships, the Committee approved the intention of getting committees of our friends in each of the States to carry through on this effort.

The Committee also made it clear that in its view any sums received in 1950 for the "50 for '51" campaign should be separately accounted for as 1951 funds. It was decided that the campaign should begin in earnest in September, the summer being used to arrange committees in each State and get the liberature in their hands.

The Executive Director then brought up the matter of division of proceeds of ten-dollar memberships with State Divisions. It was his view

that about $3.00 of each membership should go back to the treasuries of State Divisions. Some sentiment was expressed for return to the State Divisions of only the $1.50 customary with ordinary dues. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that it was desirable to build up the treasuries of State Divisions in order that their work might be more active. Mention was made of the fact that almost the entire clerical cost of raising and accounting for the additional memberships would fall upon the central office and that State Divisions would be advantaged by receipt of their dues in lump-sum checks. Miss Wilkins and others pointed out that New South is provided to members at a cost of approximately $2.00. Mr. Wright believed that he recalled an agreement signed between the Council and the South Carolina Division that a stated amount would be returned to that State, and asked that this be looked up and if need be brought up for amendment. It was his view that similar agreements might exist with other States. Upon motion, it was voted that responsibility for determining the division of dues with State Divisions rest upon the three members of the Finance Committee, they being informed that the Executive Committee was not disinclined to the return of $3.00 to the State Divisions.

The Executive Committee expressed official thanks to the Finance Committee for its valuable work.

The date for the next meeting was set as Saturday, September 9, with Saturday, September 16, as an alternate date.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

INFORMATION IN RE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, prepared for Executive Committee Meeting June 10, 1950

The Class of 1950 contains 14 persons now members of the Board. They are as follows:

Rufus B. Atwood, Kentucky William E. Cole, Tennessee Gerald P. O'Hara, Georgia David D. Jones, North Carolina Raymond Paty, Georgia Philip Shulhafer, Georgia Goodrich White, Georgia Josephine Wilkins, Georgia	None of these are eligible for reelection, since 1950 marks the end of their second term.
Felton Clark, Louisiana Emily Clay, Florida D. V. Jemison, Alabama Edgar W. Ray, Florida	Eligible for reelection.
Donald M. Comer, Alabama Charles M. Smith, Virginia	Elected 1949 for unexpired terms which end in 1950.

In addition, the Class contains three vacancies:

Jessie Daniel Ames, North Carolina, resigned
Luther D. Jackson, Virginia, deceased
Louis I. Jaffe, Virginia, deceased

Thus the number of elections possible in filling this class is 17.

In addition, the following other vacancies are available:

One in the class of 1953, to which E. L. Abercrombie was elected, (1949) but did not accept.
One in the class of 1952, to which the Rev. Mr. D. Swan Haworth, of Mississippi, was elected in 1949, but which he did not accept.

Thus the total number of vacancies available is 19.

Of this number 8 are not eligible for reelection. Six are eligible for reelection, but one of the six (Donald Comer), has indicated that he wishes his term to expire in 1950.

In the room of the one person who resigned, and the two persons who died, election may be made to the class of 1954.

Thus the vacancies are as follows:

Class of 1954	17
Class of 1954	1
Class of 1952	1
Total	19

The Vacancies by States are as Follows:

Totals	State	Mandatory	Eligible for Reelection	1953	1952
6	Georgia	5		1	
3	Virginia	2	1		
2	North Carolina	2			
2	Alabama	2			
2	Florida		2		
1	Tennessee	1			
1	Mississippi				1
1	Kentucky	1			
1	Louisiana		1		
0	Arkansas				
0	Texas				
0	Oklahoma				
0	South Carolina				
19					

As to fields of activity, the 19 vacancies classify as follows:

Educators	6
Churchmen	3
Church women leaders	1
Businessmen	2
Newspaper editors	2
Labor officials	1
Foundations official	1
Woman Civic leaders	2
Government official	1

By race:

Negroes	5
Whites	13

Among those eligible for reelection, we would clearly be strengthened by the reelection of:

Felton G. Clark, Educator, Louisiana
Charles H. Smith, Government Official, Virginia
D.V. Jemison, Churchman, Alabama
Edgar W. Ray, Newspaper Editor, Florida

The reelection of these would leave 15 vacancies to be filled
A suggested classification for replacements of the 15:

3 business leaders
2 churchmen
1 woman civic leader
2 church women leaders
2 newspaper editors
2 educators
1 labor official (A.F. of L.)
2 miscellaneous
15

The following names have been suggested for some of the vacancies:

Business leaders

Churchmen: The Rev. Matt. Warren, Episcopalian, Atlanta, Georgia

Women Civic Leaders: Mrs. Lillian Rogers Johnson, Jeanes Supervisor, Clarksdale, Mississippi
Miss Bethany Swearingen, Reference Librarian, Jackson, Mississippi

Church Women Leaders: Mrs. Z. V. Robinson, Methodist, Tennessee
Mrs. C. C. Withington, Episcopalian, Greenville, S.C. Chairman of the Survey Committee there

Newspaper Editors: Harry Ashmore, Arkansas
Don Shoemaker, Asheville, North Carolina

Educators

Labor Officials: Mrs. Carmen Lucia, United Cap, Hat, and Millinery Workers, A.F. of L., Atlanta, Georgia

Miscellaneous: Mr. R. P. Daniel, Lawyer, Jacksonville, Fla. (second term, after interval)
Dr. H. Long, Atlanta Life Insurance Company, Georgia
Dr. Mason, Public Health Service, Atlanta, Georgia

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very int'd.
Mrs. A. B. Stoney, N.C.
Norfolk
M. Wright
R. Beverley Herbert, Lawyer Columbia, S.C.
Gov Vgn - formerly ran S.C. Dusn. (P. Wms)
E. C. Wall, Conway, S.C.
gave a 100 at M.A.W.
& is int'd.
Paul Mellon (Virginia) (P. Wms)
Bd of Visitors of K.P.I.
(of to gives us help)
helps U N College Board.
Louis Straus, Virginia (P. Wms)
Dean William Hepburn
Dean Lawsted

MEMORANDUM

June, 1950

To: GSM

Leonard Haas suggested that Morris Abram's wife's father is an important lawyer in Florida and should be put on the Advisory Board.

GSM

Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

June 21, 1951

TO: Norma Huff:

Can you determine from the minutes of the 1950 Annual Meeting the expiration dates of the specific vacancies to which we elected then Arthur Mitchell and Mrs. E. U. Robinson?

GSM

There were 3 vacancies –
Mrs. Ames (class of '50) — 54
Luther Jackson (class of '50) — 54
Louis I Jaffee (class of '50)

August 21, 1951

Mr George T. Guernsey
Associate Director of Education
C. I. O.
718 Jackson Pl., N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear George:

We sent the letter on to Rabbi Mantinband today.

I am dry on places. One of the things the South most needs is a really nice interracial resort hotel.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec
Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence.

August 21, 1951

Mr. Paul D. Williams
Gramercy Park Hotel
New York, N. Y.

Dear Paul:

The date of this year's annual meeting is pretty important.

By the by-laws it ought to be Wednesday, November 7. We have had three or four intimations on behalf of the Ford Foundation that they will not reach a decision on us until late this fall. I would personally add, "if then," but they have not so added.

An annual meeting November 7 in the absence of a decision from the Ford Foundation would be almost useless. An annual meeting after the Ford Foundation had decided could either (a) launch the show on its new life if we have been successful, or (b) put the Council into something approaching liquidation if we have not been successful. I haven't thought much about what (b) would be, but I suppose it would be about two persons and perhaps a quarterly issue of New South and not much more. Maybe a budget for that would be $12,000 a year.

As to (a), we here have been supposing that it would be wise to turn the membership over to State organizations; convert the Council itself into a self-perpetuating Board of about 75 members (24 of whom would be head people in the State organizations); and let that Board set broad policy, which would be executed through an Executive Committee closely supervising the Council's own staff.

On the possibility that (b) may come to life, we will busy ourselves here in drafting by-laws suitable for that kind of structure.

Now to the point: It seems to us sensible to postpone the date of the 1951 annual meeting by a month. Transposing to December the second Wednesday, you come out with a date of Wednesday, December 12, for the 1951 annual membership meeting. Presumably, the present Board would meet Tuesday, December 11.

Under the by-laws, we have to have an annual meeting, but at the direction of the Executive Committee, the annual meeting may be set anywhere within 60 days either way of the second Wednesday of November.

Proposal, therefore, that we poll the Executive Committee now by mail as to whether they would agree to setting the date of the 1951 annual meeting for Wednesday, December 12, in Atlanta.

I would not take this step without your approval. What do you think?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

P. S. One might suppose that this question could be decided when the Executive Committee meets. But it now appears that the Executive Committee will not meet until October. That too much compresses the time for shifting the date of the annual meeting and for getting ready. Hence, the idea of polling the Executive Committee now about it.

THE LINCOLN FOUNDATION

1275 STARKS BLDG.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

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November 26, 1951

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Southern Regional Council

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

In reply to your letter of November 19, the name of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Kentucky Federation of Labor is Mr. Edward H. Weyler. I have a very high personal regard for him . In addition, he is a member of the Advisory Directors of the Kentucky Division.

Sincerely yours,

J. M. Tydings

JMT:vg

SRC Board
Membership

November 19, 1951

Mr. J. M. Tydings
Lincoln Foundation
1275 Starks Bldg.
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Mr. Tydings:

What's the name of the good A. F. of L. guy in Kentucky? Interested in workers' education. Some kind of head guy for the State, I think.

Various people have suggested him for membership on the Council's Board of Directors. Would that be suitable?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec
Dictated but not read.

REPLY URGENT.

B Smith

December 26, 1951

Mr. A. Maceo Smith
Dallas Housing Authority
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Smith:

The 1951 membership meeting of the Council on December 13 did itself the honor of electing you to the Board of Directors of the Council, in a four-year term ending in 1955. I do most cordially hope you will accept.

The others elected were as follows:

John Page Williams	Schoolmaster	Richmond
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Ben J. Massell	Businessman	Atlanta
Josephine Wilkins	Organizational Leader	Atlanta
L. E. Thomas	Lawyer	Miami
Paul Christopher	Labor Leader	Knoxville
Ed H. Weyler	Labor Leader	Louisville
Paul Williams	Businessman	Richmond
Guy Johnson	Professor	Chapel Hill
Harold Trigg	College President	Raleigh
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor	Church Leader	Houston

There was general agreement in the nominating committee that you were a key person to come on to the Board. We need still closer links with work of this kind in the Southwest, and we would like to be linked through you.

I assume you know what you would want to know about us, but I send for good measure this year's issues of New South and a copy of a major policy statement made by the Board and membership at this year's meetings.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

January 28, 1952

Mr. A. Maceo Smith
N. A. A. C. P.
2011 N. Washington Ave.
Dallas 4, Texas

Dear Mr. Smith:

We are sorry not to have you on our Board. You are an influential person in your part of the world, and we would have liked greatly to have you.

But anyway, keep helping us.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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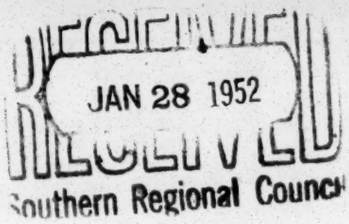
SRC Board
memb-Corres.

TEXAS STATE CONFERENCE OF BRANCHES

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

EXECUTIVE OFFICES
2011 N. WASHINGTON AVENUE
DALLAS 4, TEXAS

January 25, 1952



Mr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Conference, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Permit me to acknowledge your December 26th letter informing me of my election to the Board of Directors of the Council at the December 13th, 1951 membership meeting.

While I am greatly honored by this election, I feel constrained to decline acceptance of it at this time. My delay in making reply to your letter is due to prayerful meditation and consultation with friends and family as to the advisability of taking on any more responsibilities at this time. It is my considered judgment and conclusion that, since I would be unable to live up to the responsibilities that would be imposed through membership, it would be unwise for me to accept it.

Suffice it to say that I am in complete accord with the principles, policy and program of the Southern Regional Council, and trust that I shall be permitted to continue my service as a full supporter of the movement in this section, without portfolio.

Your continued interest and cooperation are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A. Maceo Smith

A. Maceo Smith

AMS/hwb

"Separate Equality—A Judicial Myth"

NATIONAL OFFICE: 20 WEST 40TH STREET, NEW YORK CITY 18

Dear Mrs. Mitchell:

Many thanks for your letter of Jan 31 - and the editorial from The Lighthouse & Informer. I hadn't seen the latter - Mr. Weekley at the Chest office said today he had seen it - and had passed it on to Wayne Freeman, editor of the Greenville Piedmont - our afternoon paper -

I am sorry not to accept a place on your Board - You hadn't asked me to before - but I can't be away from home very often - and had to resign from the Girl Scouts

Regional Committee - for that reason. My efforts shall have to be confined for the present, to local committee work. I think you are doing a fine job - and I'm proud to be associated with such a group - all working for such a worthwhile cause -

My best regards -

Sincerely,

Bauce Withington

Greenville

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Mrs. Charles Coolidge Withington

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MAY 1, 1952

Mr. Edward H. Weyler
Secretary-Treasurer
Kentucky State Federation of Labor
1402 Washington Bldg.
Louisville 2, Ky.

Dear Mr. Weyler:

Many thanks for your letter of April 28.

I went over and saw Mr. Rhodes today. He tells me he regards your coming on the Council's Board as a decision personal to you, as you would not be formally representing the AF of L, and he has no objection to offer.

Mr. Rhodes says he knows about the Council, has nothing against it, and occasionally makes use of some of our stuff in speeches and so on.

We think you are a good guy, and we would like to have you on the Board. What say?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

P. S. He promised to write you.

GSM

A. C. KAISER, PRESIDENT

EDWARD H. WEYLER, SECRETARY-TREASURER

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Ave, N. W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I am sorry for the delay in answering your letter of April 1st, but as yet I still have not received the necessary OK from Brother J. L. Rhodes, Southern Director of Organization of the American Federation of Labor.

I will advise you just as soon as I receive this approval.

Thanking you, and with best wishes,

Very sincerely,

Edw H Weyler

Edward H. Weyler
Secretary-Treasurer

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April 1, 1952

Mr. Edward H. Weyler, Secretary
Kentucky Federation of Labor
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Mr. Weyler:

Remember that we want you to become a member of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council. We wrote you about it 'way back there.

What say?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec
Dictated but not read.

Rh, misc

February 1, 1952

Mr. J. L. Rhodes
A. F. of L.
Hurt Bldg.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Rhodes:

Our Council at the membership meeting in December, 1951, elected to the Board of Directors Mr. Ed Weyler of Kentucky. I notified him later on of his election and said I hoped that he could send us word of his acceptance. I haven't yet heard from him, but friends in Kentucky tell me that Mr. Weyler will be in touch with you as to acceptance.

The Council, as you will see from the published things I send along, is an old, established organization, reaching back in one way or another to 1919. When it was reorganized in 1944 as the Southern Regional Council, George Googe was one of the principal persons active in summoning the several meetings which resulted in the establishment of the Council.

The Council has consistently been friendly to organized labor, and so far as I know, we have always had a respected standing with all the main parts of the organized labor movement.

We are anxious to have someone from the AF of L on our Board, and my Kentucky friends urged Mr. Weyler particularly.

The Council tries to be a practical, work-a-day organization, fitting its program to actual situations as we find them. We serve no particular doctrine and are entirely non-political in our program.

I do hope that such inquiries as you may make will result in favorable advice to Mr. Weyler.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

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December 31, 1951

Mr. Ed H. Weyler
Secretary-Treasurer
Kentucky Federation of Labor, AF of L
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Mr. Weyler:

The 1951 membership meeting of the Southern Regional Council on December 13 did itself the honor of electing you to the Board of Directors of the Council. The nominating committee brought in your name after consulting with J. M. Tydings, whom you know. You were duly elected to a four-year term ending in 1955.

I am sure you have worked enough with Tydings and the Kentucky Division to know what sort of show the SRC is. We have tried to be level-headed, and we have stuck to facts, and yet we have tried to give leadership to the South. This attached statement of policy and aims is a pretty good summary, and it was adopted officially by the Board of Directors and the membership at the meetings in December of this year.

We have always been friends with the labor movement. George Googe and Charlie Gillman were part of the very beginning of the Council. We have always had somebody from the labor movement on the Executive Committee. But I will admit we are weakest in our links with AF of L out over the South, and we hope you will help us get them stronger.

I had the pleasure of meeting you four or five years ago when the Rosenwald Fund brought together a group of us in Chicago to talk about various things to be done in the South, and have remembered you since.

Membership on the Board involves coming once a year to a Board meeting, and we have always found it possible to pay the expenses of the members who come. Otherwise, you ought to be prepared to bring to bear on us your advice, personally and as a labor man. And we hope you would wish also to do what may be suitable in widening the circle of the Council's friends.

I do most cordially hope that you can accept membership on the Board.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

July 1, 1952

MEMORANDUM RE BOARD MEMBERS

GSM did on June 24 interview at Mr. Thomas's office Mr. L. E. Thomas of Miami. Reminded Thomas of our request to get him to be a member of the Board. He much surprised that he had not ~~accepted~~ answered the letter. Delighted to accept.

So he is now a member of the Board.

This is all I can find ~~from~~ to Mr. Thomas. Nothing from him.

EC

Thomas accepted verbally June, 1952

SRC Board Corres.

BD rec'd

December 26, 1951

Mr. L. E. Thomas
1035 N. W. 2nd Ave.
Miami 36, Fla.

Dear Mr. Thomas:

The 1951 membership meeting of SRC, held December 13, did itself the honor of electing you to the Board of Directors of the Council, in a three-year term ending in 1954. I do cordially hope you will accept.

It would mean your trying hard to come once a year to a Board meeting, expenses for which we have hitherto been able to meet. It would mean also your working, as you already do, to build up the Council and the kind of thing we are interested in in the State.

The others elected this year were as follows:

John Page Williams	Schoolmaster	Richmond
Harry Ashmore	Editor	Little Rock
Mrs. E. J. Rauschkolb	Church Leader	Little Rock
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A. Maceo Smith	Housing Official	Dallas
Paul Christopher	Labor Leader	Knoxville
Ed H. Weyler	Labor Leader	Louisville
Paul Williams	Businessman	Richmond
Guy Johnson	Professor	Chapel Hill
Harold Trigg	College President	Raleigh
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor	Church Leader	Houston

We would all feel greatly strengthened in Florida and in the whole South for your being part of the Board.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

We

August 11, 1952

Mr. & Mrs. Nat Welch
1425 S. 33rd St.
Birmingham, Ala.

Dear Family:

We are proud of you.

I am glad to know you are this near neighbors again. I will hope to catch you in Birmingham sometime. Meanwhile, if either of you gets to Atlanta, please let the Mitchells know.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

THIRD PARTY BORN IN BIRMINGHAM

Birmingham, Ala., August 1-(AP-A non-sectional candidate, Gustaf Lindstrom (Lindy) Welch, was launched here in the wee hours of the morning, produced by a coalition between North and South.

The new candidate can be described as a tow-headed Swede with blue eyes and a Southern accent weighing 5 lbs. and 15 oz.

Candidate Lindstrom Welch was not born in a log cabin but in St. Vincent's Hospital. Dr. Joe Carmichael was the presiding officer. Young Welch presents himself in a four-cornered platform and guarantees frequent and immediate changes. Running mates have not been selected. Only the future can decide this.

"The candidate will broadcast at regular intervals from 1425 So. 33rd St. in Birmingham commencing August 7 and will be heard nightly by the entire neighborhood," stated Campaign Managers Gloria and Nat Welch.

An Advisory
Committee
(which could become The
General Board).

H. B. Schaeffer
Miss
All The 14 elected members of The Executive Board

Plus Harry Ashmore
Mrs C.C. Withington
Mrs Moses Cantor
Don Shoemaker
Jacob L Reddix
William E Cole.
Z A Looby
Mozell Hill
John R Ewbank
Robert A Thompson
Harry W. Roberts
Bishop Arthur J. Moore
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Virginius Dabney
Benjamin E Mays
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Charlotte H. Brown
Glenn Rainey
Norman Elsas
Frank Neely
Wright Bryan.

F. D. Patterson
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Bishop Walker
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Fr. L. V. Twomey. S.J.
Charles Smith.
Mrs. Henry Havens
Hodding Carter
Herbert Davidson
E A Mc Dowell
Howard W. Odum.
J. G. Pollard
Forrester B. Washington
O. D. Duncan.

do **YOU** *want?*

A GROUP OF SOUTHERNERS

representing both races, many occupations, all faiths and denominations got together in 1943 . . .

and decided . . .

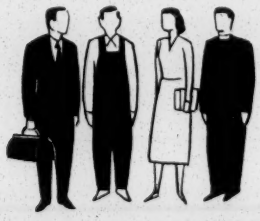
IT'S UP TO US, as Southerners, to join together, face up to the South's problems honestly, and work to solve them . . .

That's how the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL was born

SRC belongs to its members. It is non-profit, non-denominational, non-political. It is Southern in its make-up and its work.

SRC is **not,** however, an "isolationist" movement to separate the South's problems from the Nation's. It welcomes support and understanding from all sincere people, wherever they are. But voting membership is limited to persons living in the South.

SRC members include people from all walks of life — white and Negro, city and country, men and women, church people, businessmen, educators, labor men, and plain everyday citizens.



SRC BELIEVES that the South can be prosperous and healthy, freed of poverty, prejudice, and fear . . .

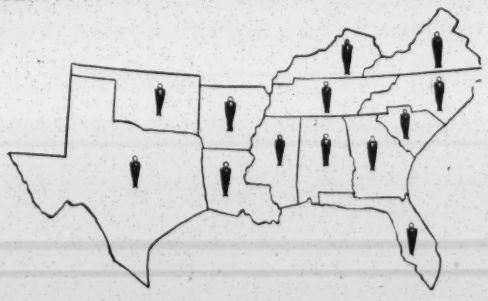
It believes in the ideals of democracy for which this Nation was founded . . .

It believes — in the name of democracy, Christianity, and common decency — that the Negro must have equal opportunity in the schoolroom, on the job, and at the polls . . .

SRC BELIEVES THAT DEMOCRACY IS SAFE ONLY WHEN EVERYBODY CONTRIBUTES TO IT AND EVERYBODY SHARES IN IT.

TO ACCOMPLISH ITS AIMS THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL WORKS *THROUGH* - - -

★ **Its local groups.** SRC has State Divisions and affiliated committees in eleven Southern States, and smaller groups in communities over the South . . .



★ **Its Regional Office.** SRC's headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia, guides the work of the local groups, advises private and official agencies, issues timely statements and publications . . .

★ **A monthly bulletin.** NEW SOUTH keeps members and friends of SRC informed about Southern problems and progress . . .

★ **Special pamphlets.** These give the facts, based on careful study of the region, in simple, illustrated form . . .

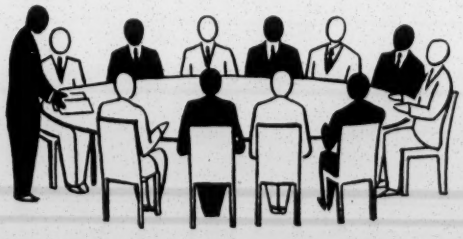
★ **Public opinion.** SRC helps create a better climate of opinion through newspapers, radio, speakers . . .

★ **Cooperating groups.** SRC works with civic clubs, church groups, labor organizations, and other groups to bring about wholesome improvements . . .

★ **Home Town Self-Surveys.** SRC helps local groups organize to collect the facts about their communities—and to **follow through** with corrective action.

TO ACCOMPLISH ITS AIMS THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL WORKS *FOR* - - -

★ **Better understanding between the races.** SRC helps lessen the violence that has plagued the South by providing a meeting ground where people of good will, white and colored, can come together, air their common problems, achieve honest solutions . . . When trouble brews, SRC members know whom to reach and what to do . . .



★ **Equal justice.** SRC watches the courts . . . points out injustices . . . works for fair police practices . . . has successfully urged the hiring of Negro policemen in towns and cities throughout the South . . .

★ **Equal public services.** SRC works to get a square break for ALL our people in —

HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL CARE

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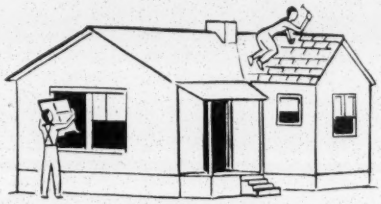

★ **Full citizenship** for everyone in

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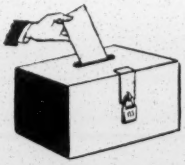


JURY SERVICE

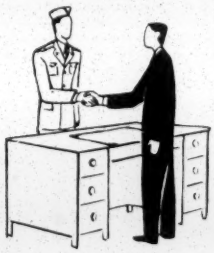
REPRESENTATION ON OFFICIAL BODIES

★ **State government for ALL the people.** SRC works for the day when our States will serve all citizens equally.

SOME ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL - - -

Supplied the basic facts in successful campaigns to secure Negro policemen in Atlanta, Memphis, Nashville, Conway (S.C.), and other cities.

During 1945-1947 helped smooth the path for the returning veteran by a widespread field program. Nine World War II veterans — eight of them Negroes — made personal visits to veterans servicing officials in over a third of the counties in the South . . . acquainted them with the needs of Negro veterans . . . taught veterans the full range of services they could get . . . spent $75,000 on this project alone.



Sponsored the 1948 Southwide Meeting on Human and Civil Rights at which four hundred community leaders, representing both races and every Southern State, devised ways to strengthen basic rights at the local level.

★

At strategic times during the past year, vigorously urged upon each Southern governor a positive program to assure the civil rights of the Southern people.

★

Has assisted church women in a Southwide program for better law enforcement and equal justice in the courts.

★

Has successfully encouraged improved practices in the handling of racial news in Southern newspapers.

THROUGH STATE DIVISIONS AND AFFILIATES - - -

Aroused public opinion against the Ku Klux Klan and played an active part in getting local ordinances passed curbing the activities of such terroristic groups.

★

Persuaded numerous white churches throughout Georgia to be hosts to interracial meetings.

★

Served as technical consultant to the steering committee of the Jacksonville, Fla., Self-Survey, which has brought about more than seventy concrete improvements in the Negro community.

★

Played a leading part in bringing about the establishment of the State Training School for Negro Girls in Texas.

★

Was largely responsible for the creation of Negro community centers in Macon, Savannah, and other Georgia cities . . . Helped secure a modern, well-equipped Negro Boys' Club for Atlanta.

★

Aided the Florida Citizens Committee on Education in drawing up recommendations to the General Assembly which would provide equal education for ALL children.

★

Took the lead in getting Kentucky's Day Law amended to permit Negroes to receive medical and nursing education in institutions formerly open to white students only.

TO DO THESE THINGS

and more, the Southern Regional Council needs YOUR support. Here are three things you can do to help:

1 Join SRC and work actively with other members in your community

2 Contribute to SRC's operating funds

3 Get your friends to work with you and SRC

What They Say About The Southern Regional Council—

"The SRC is unique in a number of heartening directions. It is bi-racial, non-denominational and non-political. It does not indulge in tom-tom beating, parades or lengthy pronunciamentos slanted for non-Southern consumption and approval. But it is not an isolationist effort to separate the South's problems from the nation's — or from the nation's concern."

— Hodding Carter

"The sort of organization which makes . . . progress possible, and which therefore deserves the support of all Southerners."

— Richmond TIMES-DISPATCH

"The most widely respected interracial group in the South."

— Asheville TIMES

"Progress can surely be made if liberals, North and South, will sit down and reason together along the lines this group suggests."

— NEW YORK TIMES

"The Southern Regional Council is an able and worthwhile organization working in the field of racial relations. It has no radical tinge, but is, nevertheless, an aggressively energetic coordinating agency."

— Ralph McGill

"A voice from the informed and moderate South."

— CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR

"Southerners directly interested in the welfare of their own section."

— CHATTANOOGA TIMES

"The Council has put out a notable series of studies in Southern life and needs."

— THE CHRISTIAN CENTURY

"One of the best sources for materials on the South today is the publications of the Southern Regional Council. . . . Its inexpensive publications provide information on every aspect of life in Southern United States."

— CURRENT EVENTS

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

63 Auburn Avenue, N. E. • Atlanta 3, Georgia

Believing in the principles and aims of the Southern Regional Council, I would like to become: (check appropriate square)

☐ **A Sustaining Member.** (The Council's main support.) Dues $10.00.

☐ **A Member.** (Has full membership rights and receives all publications and reports issued by SRC.) Dues $3.00.

☐ **A Member jointly with husband or wife.** (Both have full membership rights and jointly receive a copy of all publications and reports issued by SRC.) Joint dues $4.00.

(Note: Persons living outside the South are enrolled as Associate [non-voting] Members.)

☐ **A Contributor** to SRC's operation funds.

Dues for one year are enclosed . . . . . $_____

Contribution is enclosed in the amount of . . . . . $_____

Subscription to New South as non-member . . . . . $_____

Total Enclosed . . . . . $_____

NAME_____

STREET_____

CITY_____ STATE_____

OCCUPATION_____

Please send information about the Southern Regional Council to

Name_____

Street_____

City_____ State_____

TEAR OUT ALONG THIS LINE AND MAIL

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

March 7, 1952

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council met at 10:00 a. m. March 7, 1952, in the offices of the Southern Regional Council, 63 Auburn Ave., N. E., Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Charles S. Johnson, chairman of the Executive Committee, presided. Father V. J. O'Connell gave the invocation.

The following members were present:

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Rev. V. J. O'Connell
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie
Mr. Marion A. Wright
Dr. Harry V. Richardson
Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Mr. Alfred Mynders
Mr. John A. Griffen (luncheon only).

The following staff members were present:

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Miss Katherine Stoney
Miss Emily Calhoun
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Miss Adella Shields
Miss Anna Holden

On motion, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Mitchell reported on the efforts of the staff in getting the new pamphlet RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT widely distributed and used. He praised Mrs. Tilly for arranging with the Methodist Woman's Societies of Christian Service to have Methodist women take the pamphlet to the sheriffs in every county in thirteen Southern States. Dr. Mitchell also spoke of the activity of the Catholic Committee of the South in buying and distributing 1,000 copies of the pamphlet.

He described the meeting held at the SRC offices two weeks ago, composed of representatives of various agencies in the South interested in combatting bombings and other recent outbreaks of violence. Those present agreed that there were two main areas to work in: (1) housing, and (2) law enforcement. The group agreed that not much could be done to relieve

the housing shortage in the present wartime emergency. However, the erection of liveable dwellings for middle and upper-income Negro families in a number of cities was looked upon as an encouraging sign.

Dr. Mitchell explained that one reason for the slack in building was due to the high interest rates, and added that those present at the housing meeting considered the possibility of having the government set up a differential interest rate for long-term mortgages in areas where there is a great need for housing.

On the matter of law enforcement, Dr. Mitchell reported that the representatives of the various agencies agreed to get the police pamphlet distributed and used more widely. Mr. Fleming added that, in an effort to bring about better law enforcement practices, a committee, headed by Mr. Alex Miller, of the Anti-Defamation League's Southeastern Office, was to draft a statement on the current tensions and how to relieve them--the draft to be submitted for approval to the various agencies interested in coordinated action.

Dr. Mitchell added that the Southern Regional Council agreed to furnish representatives in each of the various agencies with a list of the other agencies.

The executive director also reported on a trip he made to Shreveport on behalf of the self-survey there, which is nearly completed. He added that there was some interest in conducting a survey in Jackson County, Florida. Miss Anna Holden reported that she had visited Booneville, Kentucky, and Kingsport, Tennessee, recently, and that citizens of both towns were interested in doing self-surveys.

The executive director reported on his two trips to New York, especially in regard to fund-raising efforts. He told of the $2,500 grant from the Field Foundation to finance the publication of NEW SOUTH, including the police pamphlet, and a $1,500 grant from the Sidney Hillman Foundation.

Dr. Mitchell then gave a brief resume of the efforts expended in producing the police pamphlet, which was at first written as a manual for policemen. When experts in the field viewed the first draft unfavorably, the Council rewrote the pamphlet, this time aiming it at ordinary citizens, and telling them how to approach their chiefs and sheriffs to bring them around to better law

enforcement practices.

Dr. Mitchell reported on other fund-raising efforts, including an application to the William C. Whitney Foundation and an interview with John D. Rockefeller's secretary.

Dr. Mitchell told of the $5,000 given the Council last year by the American Friends Service Committee, which was part of a larger grant given them by the Ford Foundation. He added that there was a possibility that the Service Committee might again assist the Council this year with $10,000 of its Ford Foundation money.

Dr. Johnson said he had heard that Barrellson (?) from Chicago has had a chance to look at the Council's appeal to the Ford Foundation, but that they haven't named the big grants yet in this field.

Dr. Mitchell reported on the Board members elected at the December, 1951, annual meeting--those which had and had not accepted membership. He also read Mr. Virginius Dabney's letter of resignation from the Board.

The executive director reported on Mr. Arthur Mitchell's efforts to contact friends who might influence favorably the Council's appeal to the Ford Foundation.

The executive director told of plans to put out a pamphlet on the history of the fair employment practices in the South, adding that many groups in the South were working at that problem, and that the Council should have a direct finger in it.

Dr. Mitchell spoke of a report made by the Teamster's Union in St. Louis, giving sensible suggestions for various measures that should be taken in preparing for de-segregation in that city.

He reported that the Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law was moving slowly. We have $1,000 in the bank and a promise of another $1,000. Both these amounts must be matched in the South. It will take a total of $8,000 to set up the Commission.

~~In regard to fund-raising efforts~~ On fund-raising efforts, Dr. Mitchell reported that Mr. Paul Williams hoped to secure $2,000 for the Council, and that he (Dr. Mitchell) had received encouraging notes from the Steelworkers and the Automobile Workers. The Council's critical financial period will be from now till the first of May, when we will probably receive $1,000 or $1,500 from the Methodists.

Father O'Connell reported that the New Orleans Police Department was ordering several copies of the police pamphlet, and that the Department was also going to write its own manual. Father O'Connell suggested that we include in the pamphlets sent to the police department a mimeographed sheet telling of our efforts in compiling the pamphlet. Father O'Connell also told of efforts in New Orleans to create a Mayor's Commission on Human Relations. Thus far, reactions to the establishment of the Commission have been entirely favorable.

Father Occonnell--How much money will we need to keep going until the Ford Foundation makes up its mind?

Dr. Mitchell--In order to keep going till the middle of this year, we will need about $10,000

Mrs. Tilly joined the meeting at that time and reported further on the activities of the Methodist women in dsitributing the police pamphlet. She added that the Presbyterian women were also distributing it.

Dr. Johnson--In interviewing the sheriffs in these counties, is anything being done with the interviews as such?

Mrs. Tilly explained that the mailing out of the pamphlets had only just begun, but that blanks will be sent out with the pamphlets, so that the women can record what took place at the interviews.

Mr. Mynders--Will you wtill have the distribution by the State Divisions in addition to the Methodist women's distribution?

Dr. Mitchell--Yes. I have no fear that we are going to hit these sheriffs too often.

Mr. Wright--Would it be possible to get the chiefs and sheriffs to agree before appointing a deputy that he would have to pass a written examination? Mrs. Tilly agreed that that would be a fine thing, but said that we must limit ourselves for the present to getting the pamphlet read by the sheriffs and chiefs.

Dr. Mitchell--Students in Negro colleges and universities should have access to the pamphlets, so they could mail them out to trusted friends in their home towns.

Dr. Johnson said that the proper persons to contact on the campuses for getting the pamphlet distributed among the students were the deans of students, student advisors, or religious advisors. Miss Stoney suggested that the Student YWCA might help with this project.

Mr. Fleming mentioned the large number of orders received for the pamphlet from municipal agencies in other parts of the country.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

Mr. Fleming reported on the wide publicity received by RACE IN THE NEWS, including three articles by the Associated Press, which consisted of fat excerpts from the pamphlet. Good write-ups also appeared in the NEW YORK TIMES, the HERALD-TRIBUNE, the CHATTANOOGA TIMES, and the CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR. Various wire services did stories. Among Negro newspapers, the JOURNAL AND GUIDE and the LIGHTOUSE AND INFORMER carried stories, as did the publication of the Southern Baptist Social Service Commission, LIGHT.

Mr. Fleming told of a request by the NEW YORK TIMES just after the Florida bombings that the Council issue a statement on the bombings. The statement was issued, and contained advance notice of the police pamphlet.

Dr. Johnson--Is it possible to find one police chief who feels evangelical about better police practices?

Dr. Mitchell--The Miami Chief, Headley, does.

Dr. Johnson--There was a chief in Charlotte who felt very strongly about it, and we got him to write other chiefs.

Mr. Fleming--The Southern Police Institute in Louisville is giving out these booklets to each of their next three classes.

Mr. Wright --Do any of the States have their own police institutes? Somebody pointed out that North Carolina did.

Mrs. Birnie--What about the law enforcement agency in South Carolina?

Dr. Mitchell--We'll write to Dabbs and ask him to knit up that link. Negro teachers are another good group. In Georgia they ordered 500. If you could get each of these teachers' organizations to order a good, big block, it would do a lot of good. But I don't know how to get to those guys.

Mrs. Tilly--Couldn't Mr. Harper help us with that?

Mrs. Bernie--With the trend in the Supreme Court in dismissing segregation cases and the obvious dislike of the Supreme Court to entertain that problem, these teachers organizations would perhaps be very happy to find this organization to which to lend their energies. It might be that we could present the pamphlet, present the workings of this organization at the same time, and get not only sales, but membership.

Dr. Richardson--I wonder if in each State these organizations could be meeting between now and June. We could get somebody from the Council to go to these meetings and talk for a few minutes and sell some of the pamphlets. You ought to be able to get one or two central persons in each State to write to the presidents of these organizations and ask them for a place on the program.

Mr. Wright--It seems to me that this is a little bit foreign to the ordinary purposes of the teachers organizations. I can see that the teachers might think that this is out of their field. Mrs. Birnie's idea is better. If you have a State law enforcement agency functioning in each State, that is the logical agency through which to operate.

Mr. Fleming--In most States these organizations are conservative and even reactionary.

Mrs. Birnie--The head of the law enforcement group in South Carolina spoke at the meeting of the South Carolina Division.

Father O'Connell--I will try to get the name of the man in Louisiana.

~~He added that the American Federation of Teachers, which is trying to do away with segregation, would be interested in pushing the pamphlet.~~

Mr. Fleming pointed out that the pamphlet was written for the active community person, and not primarily for the policeman. "We hope that the pamphlet will be taken to the chief by some person who represents some segment of public opinion which the chief respects."

Mrs. Birnie--I don't want to see you throw out the window any possibility of working through teachers organizations. These organizations have been used very effectively, and naturally, when teacher salaries came up. In South Carolina teachers organizations have been used as a medium to get over many ideas, much of the program that is in the South today. I believe there will be a very definite response. If we don't do any more than educate the teachers on the little blue book, we will have accomplished a lot.

Dr. Richardson--At the meeting in January there were some teachers from the South who were looking for contact with the police. Many Negro teachers organizations have a very strong sense of civic obligation.

Mr. Wright--I didn't mean to discard the teachers' idea. We should do everything possible.

Dr. Johnson--Right through here the reputation of the police is not too good. You can get some people to go to the chief of police with something of this sort who wouldn't be willing to go along with us on other things.

Father O'Connell spoke of the National Federation of Teachers, which wants to eliminate segregation, and said they might be interested in the pamphlet.

Dr. Mitchell spoke of the influence Negro teachers could have in getting influential white friends to speak to chiefs and sheriffs about the pamphlet.

Mrs. Birnie--I think that Negroes today are afraid of paternalism. I see this organization as a going concern which many of the Negroes and the whites

of the South are looking to for guidance. We shouldn't go to any Negro teachers group and suggest that they put the pamphlet in the hands of white persons. They won't want to join us if we talk to them that way.

Dr. Mitchell--If we get it in the hands of the Negro teachers and ask them to use it, they can figure out themselves how to use it.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

The secretary-treasurer, Katherine Stoney, gave the attached report. She pointed out that that the balance listed in the 1951 audit included several thousand dollars spent on 1950 expenses. She called the Committee's attention to the fact that the income exceeded the expenditures for 1951 because of four things: (1) The executive director and some of the other officers devoted a great deal of time and effort to money-raising efforts. She brought up the question of whether the executive director should spend so much of his time raising money, instead of devoting it to program.

(2) The $5,000 grant from the American Friends Service Committee.

(3) During last year our staff was greatly reduced. We have five full-time people and two part-time people. There are no State people except volunteers. They don't have too much time to give to the Council. We can't do the sort of job with membership that we ought to do, either cultivating members or keeping up with old members. It also takes time to get out NEW SOUTH. We have to take time out from other duties to do this.

(4) We didn't buy anything in the way of office supplies that we could do without. We are living from hand to mouth. It takes almost $3,000 a month to run this business adequately. We need money for travel and money to send out pamphlets, etc. We were able to pay travel expenses for Board members at the annual meeting because of the Sidney Hillman Foundation grant.

The Fellowship of the Concern ended the month with about $400. The Field Foundation is paying for the police manual. We put the $1,000 received for the Commission on Equal Penalties in a savings account so it will accrue a little interest.

We owe Mr. Byrd almost $4,000 by the end of June. Copies of the audit will be mailed out to Committee members as soon as we have them. We owe the State Divisions a fair amount of money. The amount of money we have in the bank now is about enough to pay them. We have separated the special accounts, such as the Fellowship of the Concerned, from the regular fund.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that the Council was living from month to month at the direction of the Executive Committee, and that the Committee should consider whether to authorize us to continue operations.

Miss Stoney pointed out that we had received more money from dues in the last two or three months than in any previous period, because several of the State Divisions have had meetings and collected membership dues.

Mr. Wright asked if the policy statement had caused us to gain or lose any members. Miss Stoney replied that it was impossible to tell.

Mr. Wright reported on his efforts to contact Mr. Harry Straus, Jr., for a large sum of money. He has talked to several people who know Mr. Straus, who have promised to either write him or see him personally on the Council's behalf.

Father O'Connell asked if what we were looking for was a carry-over to keep the organization going until the Ford Foundation makes its decision. He then said that he had in mind somebody who might contribute enough to keep us going for one month.

Dr. Johnson mentioned the possibility of getting help from the William C. Whitney Foundation.

Dr. Mitchell asked that the Committee take some action on the resignation of Virginius Dabney, and also informed the Committee of the resignation of Bishop Arthur J. Moore as a member of the Council. The Committee voted to accept Mr. Dabney's resignation, with regret.

Dr. Clement spoke of his difficulties on a speaking engagement in Houston, Texas, when a certain group accused him of being a Communist. He added that a number of influential persons in Houston had banded together to fight the group that had set itself up as censor for the city.

Mr. Fleming told of the resignation of Miss Josephine Wilkins, a Board member, from the board of trustees of Piedmont College, because the trustees voted to accept a grant from a Texas foundation that advocated the teaching of white supremacy. anti-semitism.

On motion by Mr. Wright, it was voted that the Council continue operations until the next Executive Committee meeting.

Dr. Johnson said that he might be in a position to ask some questions about the status of the Council's appeal to the Ford Foundation when he goes to Pasadena in the near future.

Members expressed approval of the monthly report of staff activities sent out since the first of the year. to the Executive Committee.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned (12:10 p. m.).

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

May 30, 1952

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council was held in the Council offices, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, at 10:00 a. m. Friday, May 30, 1952. President Marion A. Wright presided.

The following members were present:

Marion A. Wright
Paul R. Christopher
Rufus E. Clement
Alfred Mynders
John Griffin

The following staff members were present:

Mrs. M. E. Tilly
George S. Mitchell
Harold C. Fleming
Anna Holden
Adella Shields
Emily Calhoun
Katherine Stoney

It was agreed to dispense with the reading of minutes of the last meeting.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

The Miss Stoney, gave the attached financial report for the month of May. She pointed out the improved financial condition of the Council, which had made possible the paying of various debts. She mentioned specifically the receipt of several large contributions during the month of April.

Dr. Mitchell commented on the receipt of a $10,000 grant in May through the American Friends Service Committee, and on the status of the Council's application before the Ford Foundation.

Mr. Wright asked if anybody had any suggestions of anything more we should do to influence the Ford people favorably. Mr. Griffin said he would speak to Mr. Colwell before he leaves for Europe and ask if he has any advice on what we should do next.

Dr. Mitchell mentioned the setting up of a committee in the House of Representatives to investigate foundations and the use of their money to support "unAmerican" and "untraditional" activities. Harold Fleming read a further explanation of the purpose of the committee. Dr. Mitchell said the actions of the committee might pos-

sibly affect the Council, as it would cause foundations to become especially cautions about the organizations which they supported.

REPORT ON RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Mrs. Tilly told about efforts of the Fellowship of the Concerned and other church women to contact law enforcement officers and get them to put the principles of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT into practice. She added that the Southeastern and Southcentral jurisdictions of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church were attempting to have WSCS members visit the sheriff in each county in the Southern States and talk to him about RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Various publications have expressed a desire to write articles on the activities of church women in contacting law enforcement officers.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

~~Meetings of Agencies to Discuss Ways of Reducing Violence in the South~~

Mr. Fleming reported on two Southwide meetings of representatives from agencies interested in human relations to discuss ways of reducing violence and tensions in the South. He explained that the group had decided to concentrate for the present on the matter of housing. Mr. Fleming then read the statement on BLIGHTED HOUSING AND BOMB VIOLENCE, which was presented at the last Southwide meeting May 15. He pointed out that he hoped to publish it in the June issue of NEW SOUTH, together with the names of those agencies endorsing it, and asked that the Executive Committee consider whether they wished to endorse it for SRC.

In connection with the statement, Dr. Mitchell suggested that the Council be especially careful not to make or endorse statements, either on its own, or in connection with other agencies, that might possibly be construed as lobbying, as it was essential that the Council retain its tax exempt status.

~~It was agreed that the statement adopting of the housing statement by the SRC would not~~

~~It was agreed that the Statement~~

Members were of the opinion that the statement did not contain anything that might be construed as lobbying, but it was agreed to consult Mr. Haas, as counsel, on the matter.

Several minor changes in the statement were suggested, as follows:

Page 2, line 13, delete "inevitable." Line 27, delete "annual." Line 28, for "per year" substitute "each year."

Page 3, line 2, after word "in" substitute "some" for "many."

Page 3, numbered paragraph 7, instead of "press for," explore.

Dr. Mitchell agreed to circularize members of other agencies who attended the meeting and ask for their approval of the above changes in wording. ~~The Executive Committee~~

On motion, it was voted to accept the statement, subject to the approval of Mr. Haas.

Dr. Mitchell reported that the group of agencies would meet again in October, at which time they would consider the use of race prejudice in elections.

Mr. Fleming reported on a discussion at the May 15 meeting of the problem of the use of advertising to promote a stereotype, adding that it was one which the Council had hitherto given very little attention to.

~~SRC Publicity~~

Mr. Fleming reported that the Council had had no major news stories since the publication of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT, but that various people had responded favorably to stories in the last two issues of NEW SOUTH. He also mentioned the use of SRC material in various publications, including material about Negro policemen printed in the Tallahassee newspaper, and the publication of the policy statement in the United Steelworkers publication. Mr. Wright noted that a recent NEW YORK TIMES article on Negro policemen evidently made use of SRC material,

REPORT OF THE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Miss Holden commented on the status of the self-sruvey effort, telling of a trip she had made to Jackson County, Florida, where the Florida Resource and Use Education Committee and Florida State University were cooperating with the citizens of that county to make a survey. They are using the SRC manual as a guide, and plan to make surveys in other Florida counties if this one is a success.

Birmingham is planning a continuing survey, with the focus pretty much on the needs of the Negro community.

Mr. Wright asked about the progress report sent out several weeks ago by the Greenville Community Council. Miss Holden praised the report & said that the Council had a number of copies of the report, which she has been sending out to people who seem interested in making a survey of their communities.

Shreveport has finished the basic fact-finding for its survey, and hopes to complete its report by the end of the summer, with the advice of the Council.

FURTHER ACTION ON FORD REQUEST

Mr. Wright raised the question of the advisability of asking Harold Weekley, of the Greenville Community Council, to write a letter to the Ford Foundation. Mr. Fleming pointed out that Mr. Weekley had got various other people in Greenville to write letters about the Council, which were included in the exhibit to the Ford Foundation. In view of that, it was decided not to approach Mr. Weekley on the matter of writing to the Ford Foundation.

DEBT TO MR. BYRD

Miss Stoney reviewed the status of the debt to Mr. Thomas F. Byrd. It originally amounted to $6,000, for services rendered during 1949-50. As of now, the Council owes $3,950 principal and $82.29 interest, making a total of $4032.29. Mr. Wright raised the question of whether it would be appropriate to approach Mr. Byrd on the possibility of his reducing the debt, with the understanding that the Council would pay the debt in full now. Mr. Wright added that in view of the Council's

greatly improved financial condition, this would be a good time to pay the debt, and that in view of the fact that Mr. Byrd had been expecting to be paid piecemeal, he might be willing to reduce the debt in order to receive payment in full now. There followed a lengthy discussion, during which Dr. Mitchell expressed the opinion that the debt was a valid one and ought to be paid. He and Mr. Fleming pointed out that Mr. Byrd had been most reluctant to accept the job of fund-raising for the Council and that he had voluntarily reduced the debt by $1,000. Mr. Wright, Dr. Clement, and others pointed out that the fund-raising effort had not been successful, and that in view of that, Mr. Byrd might feel morally obligated to reduce the debt. Mr. Wright emphasized further that the Executive Committee owed it to Council members to reduce the debt as much as possible. It was agreed that Mr. Wright would approach Mr. Byrd on the matter of the debt, and tell him that the Council is in a position to pay the debt in full now if he can reduce the debt

possibility of reducing the debt, that the Council is not now in a position to pay the full debt, but that if Mr. Byrd would agree to reduce the debt, the Council matter of the debt, explaining that if Mr. Byrd would find it possible to reduce the debt, the Council could pay him in full now, but that if Mr. Byrd could not reduce the debt, then the Council would not be financially able to pay the full amount now,

SHARECROPPERS PAMPHLET

Dr. Mitchell told of the present status of the pamphlet on the law of land tenure in the South and how to improve that law. The National Sharecroppers Fund had, about two years ago, allocated $1,500 to the Council to have such a pamphlet written and printed. $400 had been paid to the Council, and we had secured an expert on the subject to write the pamphlet. He completed a rough draft of the manuscript at about the time that the Sharecroppers Fund ceased to operate because of

lack of funds. In order to pay the writer of the MS, the Council had to take $180 from general funds. Persons who used to head the Sharecroppers Fund told Dr. Mitchell recently that they would try to raise enough money to print the manuscript.

DEBT TO DR. MITCHELL

John Griffin raised the question of making an attempt to pay the Council's debt to Dr. Mitchell, ~~suggesting that Dr. Mitchell might increase his life insurance fifteen per cent, at the expense of the Council~~ Dr. Mitchell said he was content to let the debt remain unpaid and accrue interest for a while longer. Mr. Griffin then suggested that Dr. Mitchell might increase his life insurance by fifteen per cent, at the expense of the Council. Dr. Mitchell suggested that the Executive Committee, by minute, authorize the repayment of the loan to him at any time when there is sufficient money in the treasury to make that possible.

~~REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR~~
PROGRAM DURING THE SUMMER

Dr. Mitchell said that he would like to spend most of the summer in exploring, State by State, in several States the availability of staff in each State. He pointed out that finding such people is extremely difficult, and that the Council should have some people to employ in case the grant from the Ford Foundation comes through. Dr. Mitchell and Mr. Fleming would take trips to Louisiana, Arkansas, South Carolina, and North Carolina to look for possible staff members.

Commission on Equal Penalties

Dr. Mitchell told of two sums of $1,000 which had been promised (and one actually donated), with the provision that they be matched in the South, to set up a Southwide Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law. The American Jewish Committee in Atlanta is undertaking to raise $1, 000 to match one of these sums, but there is no other money in sight. In addition to another thousand to match the thousand already promised, we will need about four thousand more. Dr. Mitchell added that he would like to get the Commission set up by September or October.

Mr. Wright suggested that the personnel to serve on the Commission might be chosen before the money was obtained, and an announcement made that certain people would serve on the Commission if and when funds were on hand. Mr. Wright suggested that Judge A. D. Lyle (sp?) of South Carolina might serve on the Commission. Mr. Wright felt that the selection of personnel would greatly facilitate the donation of funds to set up the Commission.

ANNUAL MEETING

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that the date set for the Annual Meeting was November 12, and asked whether that was agreeable to members. It was agreed to hold the annual meeting as scheduled.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that the Board of Directors was now very small in number, and raised the question of building it up. Dr. Clement suggested that we wait until the Ford people come to some decision, and it was agreed to wait till a later date to consider the matter of adding to the number of Board members.

SALARIES

Mr. Griffin brought up the matter of making some provision for raising the salaries of staff members in case the Council acquires substantial funds. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that staff members had received wage increases all along, in spite of the poor financial condition of the Council. It was agreed that the committee authorized by the Board of Directors December 12, 1951, to study the possibility of raising Dr. Mitchell's salary when the Council is financially able should undertake to study the salary scale for the whole staff and make recommendations at the next annual meeting. Miss Stoney was authorized to send a resolution to this effect to all members of the committee appointed to study the question of raising Dr. Mitchell's salary.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

September 27, 1952

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council was held in the Council offices, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia at 10:00 a. m., Saturday, September 27, 1952. President Marion A. Wright presided. Dr. Richardson gave the invocation.

The following members were present:

Marion A. Wright
John Griffin
Harry V. Richardson
Leonard Haas
Mrs. C. M. Birnie

The following staff members were present:

Mrs. M. E. Tilly
George S. Mitchell
Harold C. Fleming
Anna Holden
Katherine Stoney
Emily Calhoun

Mr. Nhlapo, leading educator from South Africa, was a visitor at the meeting.

It was agreed to dispense with the reading of minutes of the last meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The executive director told of his appeal to Dr. Channing Tobias, of the Phelps-Stokes Fund, for an extra contribution this year, and the subsequent receipt of $350 from the Phelps-Stokes Fund.

~~EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT~~

The Executive director told of a talk with two officials in the New York office of the Ford Foundation. He learned from them that Fund for the Republic was in the process of being set up, and is expected to decide on the SRC request by early 1953.

Dr. Mitchell also talked to Mr. Hahn, of the Field Foundation, about the foundation's grant to SRC for next year. It was agreed that we contact the Field Foundation again in January, when we know more about our financial prospects.

Several copies of the September 27, 1952, issue of THE NATION were displayed, containing articles by the executive director and other friends and members of SRC.

4 The Executive Director also reported on contacts made with ~~xxxxxxx~~ officials of State Divisions, suggesting that they make inquiries about possible paid workers for State Divisions in case SRC does get a large grant early next year. The plan is for the State Divisions to select candidates for the jobs, and the Atlanta office will screen them.

The Council plans to publish an up-to-date pamphlet on FEPC as soon as ~~we can get~~ money can be obtained for that purpose. ~~to publish it.~~ Dean Brazeal at Morehouse College has agreed to write the pamphlet.

Dr. Mitchell told of the interest shown in the Council by Mrs. George Wolfe,* of Takoma Park, Maryland. She suggested that a meeting be held in Washington ~~xxx~~ to which she would invite some of her ~~friends~~ well-to-do friends. Such a meeting has been arranged for Friday, November 14. Katherine Stoney was to go up to Washington early in October to make arrangements for the meeting. People to be invited in addition to Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe and their friends include friends, members, and fellows of SRC, ~~representing the Prior to the meeting a small dinner with~~ Dr. Mitchell will make his map speech, and at the close of the meeting an appeal will be made for contributions to the Council.

The executive director reported that the third printing of RACE AND LAW enforcement had almost been exhausted, bringing total sales up to almost 15,000.

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REPORT ON WOMEN'S WORK

Mrs. Tilly told of the publicity her project of having the churchwomen carry copies of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT to their sheriffs is getting. In a trip to Boston Mrs. Tilly was interviewed by the BOSTON GLOBE, and the CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR is planning to write a story about the church women and RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT. The WORLD OUTLOOK, a Methodist publication with a circulation of about 750,000,

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* Mr. Haas says Mrs. Wolfe is Dick Rich's cousin.

had already published an article on the work of the church women.

Mrs. Tilly reported that many members of the Fellowship of the Concerned, who have signed the pledge to go and visit their courts, are taking RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT to see their sheriffs. By visiting the courts, the women have become interested in improving other matters not related to race--cleaning up the physical premises of the courtrooms, concern for juvenile delinquents, drunken driving, etc.

Mrs. Tilly spoke of the area conference of the Council of Church Women, to be held in Jacksonville in October. The Methodist ladies will exhibit at the conference a map showing the counties where they have visited sheriffs and shown them RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Mr. Wright asked if the Negro women were also visiting the sheriffs.

Mrs. Tilly replied that the Negro women knew about the program, but that in most places, it was generally agreed that the white women would be more effective. Mr. Wright suggested that it would be even more effective for mixed delegations to visit the sheriffs. Mrs. Tilly mentioned the difficulty of getting the Negro women and the white women together at the same time for a visit.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

The director of information reported on the Council's making it possible for an Atlanta police superintendent to attend an institute in Chicago during the summer on "The Police and Racial Tensions." The Council paid his expenses at the institute, and the Anti-Defamation League paid his travel expenses. The superintendent and the chief of police reported on the institute at a small luncheon arranged by the Anti-Defamation League. Mr. Fleming expressed the hope that through the superintendent we would have a useful contact in seeing that the principles of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT were applied.

Mrs. Tilly spoke of the need for a meeting of key women from nine Southern States to further stimulate the project of visiting courtrooms and sheriffs. She estimated that approximately $5,000 would be needed for the Fellowship of

the Concerned, and appealed to the Executive Committee to raise some money. Mrs. Tilly said that the current program of visiting sheriffs was launched as an attempt to put an end to bombings and other violence, just as church women had several years ago visited sheriffs to seek their cooperation in preventing lynchings. It was pointed out that bombings have now taken the place of lynchings.

Mr. Fleming explained that the mayor and the police department really wanted to stop the bombings in Atlanta. In that connection, he told of current attempts to set up a mayor's committee on human relations, including representatives from the Negro community. The mayor is in favor of such a committee, and it is hoped that after the election definite steps may be taken toward establishing the committee. Mr. Fleming added that both he and Dr. Mitchell had been working on plans for a mayor's committee.

The recent survey made by Miss Holden, giving an up-to-date list of Negro firemen and policemen in Southern cities and appearing in the current NEW SOUTH.

The director of information also told of a petition drawn up by the Georgia League of Women Voters and sent out to various Statewide civic and religious groups, calling for an end to appeals to racial and religious prejudice in political campaigns. The petition, together with endorsers, will be presented to Governor Talmadge in the next few days.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

The secretary-treasurer gave the attached report. She called attention to the slim balance of $54.55 in the treasury as of September 26. She pointed out that the $250 contribution from the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church was made quarterly, and one more such contribution would made this year. The contribution from the Woman's Division

of the Methodist Church was $200 larger than usual this year, due to Mrs. Tilly's efforts. Dr. Mitchell had allocated $300 of the contribution to Mrs. Tilly for the Fellowship of the Concerned, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

Miss Stoney called attention to the fact that most of the Council's accounts had been paid, but that there was no money to meet the payroll of October 1.

She mentioned various expense-saving measures taken recently, including the giving up of a storage room and the decision not to hire anyone to replace Miss Shields as membership secretary. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that, in addition to meaning extra work for Miss Stoney, the failure to replace Miss Sheilds left the Council without a Negro staff member. Miss Stoney explained that the reduction in staff was adopted only as a temporary money-saving device until the end of the year.

The executive director told of the agreement to have Emily Calhoun work for Mrs. Tilly one day a week, doing stenographic work either for the Fellowship of the Concerned or for the Georgia Interracial Committee.

It was pointed out that these various expense-saving items would reduce the monthly payroll by about $170.

The executive director gave a forecast of the income and expenses for the coming year, as follows:

In commenting on prospects for next year, Dr. Mitchell explained that about $18,000 or $20,000 was in sight, and that the Council would need approximately $40,000 to operate. He did not see how the Council could continue to operate during 1953 in the absence of a grant from the Ford Foundation. The reason for the current lack of funds was because the $10,000 grant secured earlier in the year was calculated to keep SRC going through July, by which time the Ford Foundation was expected to have made some decision on our application. Mr. Griffin pointed out that $4,000 of the $10,000 went to pay the debt to Mr. Byrd.

ANNUAL MEETING

Mr. Griffin questioned the advisability of having the annual membership meeting at the apportioned time, early in November. Dr. Mitchell agreed that there was nothing to tell the membership except what we told them last year--that we had no money and hoped to get some from the Ford Foundation. According to the by-laws, the annual meeting set this year for Nov. 8, could be postponed for as long as sixty days. Mrs. Birnie asked about the cost of the annual meeting. Miss Stoney replied that it had cost over $400 last year. Mr. Wright raised the question of whether postponement of the meeting would give us any lever in moving the Ford Foundation to act. Mr. Haas raised the question of postponing the meeting beyond sixty days, if that seemed necessary. Mr. Griffin made a motion that the meeting be postponed for at least sixty days after the corresponding meeting last year (December 12, 1951). The motion was carried. (See p. 10) *4

RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS OF SECRETARY-TREASURER

The Executive Committee ratified the release of the membership secretary and failure to employ another person in that position.

The transfer of $300 from the SRC treasury to the Fellowship of the Concerned was also ratified.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SALARIES

At the time of the consideration of the question of the salaries of the members of the staff, the Executive Committee went into executive session, with no members of the staff present.

The Executive Committee carefully considered the recommendations of the subcommittee on salaries contained in the letter dated July 29, 1952, and addressed to the president. After full discussion, it was unanimously agreed that the salary scale recommended by the committee be approved as to the minimum figures contained therein, the same to become effective as of January 1, 1953.

The executive session was thereupon dissolved and members of the staff returned to the meeting.

POSSIBLE REORGANIZATION OF SRC

The executive director laid out the following suggested plans for reorganization in case the Council does receive a large grant of money: . . . . . .

Dr. Mitchell explained that, under this plan, the Southern Regional Council would be a board of trustees. There would be a vigorous State organization in each State, which would be affiliated with the SRC. The Council would pay, in whole or in part, the personnel of those State organizations. The same would apply to local interracial organizations where there was no State organization.

The executive director asked if the Executive Committee was in general agreement with the plan outlined above. He distributed copies of the resolution adopted at the 1951 annual meeting prociding for such a change in the structure of the Council.

Mr. Wright suggested that Dr. Mitchell draw up a chart explaining the new plan, and Dr. Mitchell agreed to do so.

The executive director expressed his view that people would be more loyal to State organizations than to a regional organization, and that members would accomplish more working on a Statewide, rather than a regional basis. Mr. Wright expressed agreement, adding that the State organizations might do more if they were competing against each other.

Dr. Mitchell emphasized that the plan for reorganization would be adopted only if the Ford grant is obtained, as the plan could not operate without paid personnel in the State organizations.

Mr. Wright--Then we should recommend this revision to the members of the Council if and when we get the money from the Ford Foundation?

Dr. Mitchell--Yes, in January or February the Executive Committee would recommend it to the Board, and the Board would recommend it to the membership.

Dr. Mitchell suggested that another Executive Committee meeting should be held in December.

Mr. Wright said the Committee should have time to think over the matter of reorganization before making a definite decision. He suggested that action be deferred until the December meeting. This was agreed. Dr. Mitchell said that meanwhile, he would try to perfect a set of by-laws to suit the suggested plan for reorganization. Mr. Haas pointed out that the general plan had already been accepted unanimously at the 1951 membership meeting.

Mr. Wright suggested that the secretary-treasurer write a note to members of the Executive Committee about a month before the next meeting of the Committee, reminding them that the plan for reorganization was to be considered. It was agreed to follow this suggestion.

NOMINATING COMMITTEES

The executive director explained that it was customary to have two nominating committees every year: one from the membership of the Board to choose the

officers of the Council, and another from the general membership to make nominations to the Board of Directors. Dr. Mitchell read out the following suggested names of people to serve on the committee to nominate members to the Board:

Rebecca Gershon, Georgia
Ernest Neal, Alabama
Ocie Lee Smith, Arkansas
Mrs. William S. Hogue, Texas
Louis Regenstein, Georgia
Gadsden Shand, South Carolina, chairman

Dr. Mitchell said he would try to get these people to nominate a Board suitable to serve in case there is a reorganization.

Mr. Haas moved that the Executive Committee recommend to the members of the annual meeting that the persons named ~~mentioned~~ by Dr. Mitchell serve ~~be named~~ as a nominating committee for the following year. This motion was passed.

Dr. Mitchell explained that he had not compiled a list of people to serve on the other nominating committee, but that he could suggest some people to Mr. Wright and Mr. Wright could name a nominating committee. It was voted to carry out this suggestion.

PLAN FOR GETTING ADVICE ON SRC ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

Dr. Mitchell told of Mr. Wright's suggestion that the Council ~~we should get our~~ submit its ~~our~~ proposal for future expansion, strictly as to administrative arrangements, to a committee of businessmen widely known over the South, and ask for their suggestions. Mr. Wright hoped that improvements in the ~~our~~ plans for administering the hoped-for grant might put the ~~put our~~ request in a more favorable light with the Ford Foundation. Dr. Mitchell had raised the matter with David Freeman, of the Ford Foundation, who said such action would not improve the standing of SRC with the Ford Foundation. Mr. Wright explained that he had fears that the

Ford Foundation might decide that ~~our~~ the proposed methods for administering the million and a half dollars ~~we were asking for~~ requested were feeble and ineffective, and might not give ~~us~~ SRC the grant for that reason. He added that, aside from the influence on the Ford Foundation, expert advice ~~[illegible]~~ on administration would help ~~us~~ the Council to do ~~our~~ its job more efficiently, and ~~[illegible]~~ that the asking of advice might educate some leading businessmen as to what we were trying to do.

Mr. Griffin mentioned that ~~[illegible]~~ there ~~are~~ were some people on the Board, Dr. Clement, for instance who ~~are~~ were already administering large sums of money. He said further, that we should evaluate our whole program, not just the administrative end of it. "We go on doing things without adequately assessing what we are doing to see if it is effective." There was general agreement that if the Council does receive a large grant, a systematic attempt should be made to evaluate the effectiveness of SRC programs.

Mr. Wright--If you can get five first-rate businessmen in the South to look us over, it might help us. If we lose out with the Ford Foundation and decide we want to continue to operate, we would go to other foundations, and the idea might help us with them.

Mr. Haas--Don't you think, from Dr. Mitchell's report, that we are being favorably considered, and that nothing more is needed than for the Fund for the Republic to be established?

Mr. Wright--Suppose we pass my idea up until the Ford people act.

Mr. Haas--I think this is a good idea. ~~[illegible]~~

Dr. Mitchell--I think our greatest lack is the lack of interest and confidence in us by Southern businessmen. I think the only alternative to the Ford Foundation money is to get a group of Southern businessmen interested in us and get the money from them. If there is some way to increase the interest of Southern businessmen in us, we should do ~~[illegible]~~ this. It worries me that one

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great section of the Southern group has never been with us and is not pushing us now.

Mr Haas--Do you know of any single businessman of any distinction who has written the Ford Foundation about us?

Dr. Mitchell--Edgar Stern in New Orleans. Armand May was formerly a member of the Board.

Miss Stoney pointed out that many businessmen see that we have received contributions from organized labor, and for that reason decide not to contribute.

Mr. Griffin--There are some people who have a certain dissatisfaction with us because they had the idea that it was toing to be a group into which businessmen would come. They thought people in the power structure would support it, and they haven't.

Mr. Wright--Suppose we submitted it to five top-rate businessmen and it struck them as being weak, and they told the Ford Foundation.

Dr. Mitchell--Suppose you look carefully over the names of the people we would like to have, and as soon as we feel that the Ford money is going to come, we ask these men about the administrative arrangements.

Miss Stoney--I think the Ford Foundation will require us to set up a certain pattern--make up certain reports and follow certain administrative procedures.

It was agreed to wait for further developments on the Ford request before taking any action on Mr. Wright's proposal of having some businessmen review SRC administrative arrangements.

ANNUAL MEETING

On motion, it was voted that the executive director fix the date of the next annual meeting. Dr. Mitchell said that he would put a notice in NEW SOUTH that the annual meeting had been postponed, and Miss Stoney said she would try to have the 1952 audit ready for the annual meeting.

MONTHLY STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Wright suggested that the monthly staff reports include an invitation to the members of the Board for suggestions as to any activities that the Council might engage in. He felt that ~~the staff~~ ~~we might~~ get some helpful suggestions might be given, and also felt that requests for advice would make the Board members feel that they were an integral part of the Council.

Dr. Mitchell explained that the present monthly report went only to the Executive Committee, not to the Board. He suggested that a quarterly report be sent to the Board, together with requests for suggestions as to program. It was agreed to do this.

FUND RAISING

Mr. Haas asked for suggestions as to how ~~we could raise~~ money could be raised to see SRC ~~us~~ through until the next annual meeting, adding that he would undertake personally to raise some money this fall. Dr. Mitchell referred to the amounts mentioned previously in his account of expected income, adding that Dr. Harry Richardson had said he would undertake to raise $500. Mr. Wright told of a pleasant talk with Mr. Harry H. Straus, Jr., who had appeared interested in the Council and had given some hope ~~at~~ that ~~some~~ the Straus Foundation might make a contribution to SRC at a later date. Mr. Wright also mentioned a source of possible contributions in Black Mountain, N. C.

Dr. Mitchell told of an expected gift of $1,000 which Father V. J. O'Connell had secured.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

NOTES ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, DECEMBER 20, 1952

John Griffin said he ran across somebody who knows well Mr. Brownlee, of the Fund for the Republic. This man said Brownlee, along with Larson, the publisher of TIME, was interested in the problem of "Know Your Schools," and that they had siphoned off some money from the Ford Foundation in its early days for that purpose.

GSM said when he went to N.Y. he would stop in Richmond and see Virginius Dabney and ask him whom on the F for the R he could influence.

MAW said he had written Judge Waring and told him about the financial situation of SRC and asked him to lay our cause on the hearts of his friends in N.Y. He wrote back saying he would do that.

MAW also reported that he had written to two South Carolinians who are members of Gov. Byrnes's commission to equalize facilities--Mr. Long of Charleston and Mr. Elliott Springs of Lancester. MAW suggested that they contribute to SRC, as an organization working in that field. Mr. Springs built nice cottages, etc., for employees of his mill, at Myrtle Beach.

Suggestions for people to contribute to Commission on Equal Penalties: prominent lawyers like Ellis Arnall and Elbert Tuttle. Mr. Haas suggested Harrison Jones. Said there might be some chance of getting the Coca-Cola Co. to contribute to us. John Griffin said Dan Duke ought to give a little. Mr. Haas suggested the Atlanta Jaycees. GSM and Leonard Haas to see some Atlanta lawyers about this.

January 16, 1950

Mr. Paul D. Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond 22, Virginia

Dear Paul:

Mr. Arthur Mitchell has written saying he would be glad to have us at his home at breakfast Thursday morning, January 25. He says breakfast will be homemade sausage, champion hot rolls, etc., and adds that he has just killed hogs.

I have written him that we accept. I don't know what time your train will be coming to Petersburg, but I will be there even in the pre-dawn and pick you off of it.

I told Mr. Mitchell we would be there at 8:30. You might by consulting the timetable find out when you can reach Petersburg.

See you Monday, January 22, at Columbia.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

November 16, 1950

Mr. John Long
Southern Christian Institute
Edwards, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Long:

It was extremely generous of you to attend our annual meeting and to wish to donate the expense of your trip. Needless to say your kindness and generousity helps us a great deal.

For purposes of exempting this contribution on your federal tax, I would suggest that we send you a check for the amount, which you can endorse and return or make out a separate check to us. In this way the contribution passes through our cash receipt book and is also accounted for on the Mississippi state pledge effort.

I would enclose the check with this letter, but pay day has left us with a low treasury. However, within the next few weeks we should be able to send you the check, if this arrangement is satisfactory with you.

Our many thanks for attending the meeting and for your generous contribution to the Council. We are encouraged by your continued interest.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:bj

January 16, 1951

Mr. Arthur Mitchell
Box 670
Petersburg, Virginia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

It has been a long time since I have been at breakfast in a Virginia home on a farm that has lately killed hogs, and I am looking forward to it very much. I accept for Paul also. I can't yet find out exactly what train he will be on, but it will almost certainly be coming through Petersburg at an hour that would make it convenient for us to reach your home at 8:30. That's late breakfast for a farmer!

I will bring all the material on budgets, etc., I can to help you.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

SR Dir.
Ala.

January 30, 1951

Mr. J. T. Brooks
Alabama State College for Negroes
Montgomery, Alabama

Dear Mr. Brooks:

The present members of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council residing in Alabama are as follows:

A. D. Beittel, Talladega College, Talladega
Rev. D. V. Jemison, D.D., National Baptist Convention, Selma
Rabbi Charles Mantinband, 206 North Wood Avenue, Florence
F. D. Patterson, Tuskegee Institute

Mr. Donald Comer served a one-year term during 1950 and is now off the Board. Mr. W. H. Marmion's membership on the Board expired certainly with his resignation incident to his remove to Wilmington, Delaware, and may have expired in 1949.

At the membership meeting last November it was agreed that the size of the Board of Directors should be reduced and therefore only a couple of replacements were made for the eighteen or nineteen people whose memberships on the Board expired at the end of 1950. Had this not been the case, I suppose we would have elected some additional Alabama members.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er/Encl. (what kind of South ...)

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

The Alabama State College for Negroes
—AT—
Montgomery, Alabama
FOUNDED IN 1874

H. COUNCILL TRENHOLM, PRESIDENT

January 12, 1951

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
63 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

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Southern Regional Council

I have been asked by Dr. A.D. Beittel, Chairman of the Alabama Division, to serve as chairman of a Committee on Recommendations for Nomination of Officers for our Division. In order to do as effective a job as possible, I write to request that you will furnish us as soon as possible with a list of names and addresses of all Alabama members of the Regional Board.

Your immediate attention to this request will be very much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
J. T. Brooks
J.T. Brooks

CC: Dr. A.D. Beittel
Talladega College
Talladega, Alabama

Spearman

August 17, 1951

Mrs. Eugene H. Spearman
1511 Laurel St.
Columbia, S. C.

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

Here is the letter I wrote Mrs. Macaulay.

It is dangerous to put any percentage figure on what part of a tax-exempt organization's time and money can go into political activities. The danger point I have used for my own guidance is five per cent. But I know other organizations which have gone unchallenged for years and have put a much greater part of their effort into political works. But certainly the tendency of the Congress is to be tighter and tighter, and the Treasury will reflect that.

I will come to see you the next time I can get to Columbia.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec
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The South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs

MRS. ANGUS HAMILTON MACAULAY, President
Box 298, Chester, S. C.

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Executive Director
Mrs. Eugene H. Spearman
1511 Laurel St.
Columbia

1511 Laurel Street
Columbia, S.C.
August 16, 1951

Dear George Mitchell:

Hard work and a full schedule explain the long silence. Just wish it were possible for me to be active in a direct way. However, I do have some good ideas as to how you can be of help to our mass organiza ion, and I hope that when you are hereabout I may have a chande to talk with you.

Meantime, won't you send to our president, Mrs. Macaulay some information which ~~which~~ wise give her the benefit of SRC's experience in getting the tax exemption ruling from the U.S. Treasury Dept.? I had hoped to be able to relay facts as to the particular interpretation required as far as political action is concerned..... ~~[illegible]~~ no substantial part of the program may be political or something to that effect, is it not? Anyway I shall appreciate your advising her as fully as you can. Would there be any advantage in having her lawyer contact ours, Mr Haas? If so, please send his name and address.

Many many thanks to you, and with every good wish for you both personally and in the fine work you are doing,

Hastily(your indulgence-please),

Alice N. Spearman

Dear Mrs. McKay:

I was so sorry to learn that you & I were "misbehaving" at the same time. Hope you are fine again! I am improving far too slowly to enjoy it – but after my 3rd operation, I'm doing well, I suppose.

If you can scrape up a set of the agenda used at Board mtgs. & annual mtg., please send me. I want to know what went on. Hope all goes well with the finance campaigns.

Hear splendid reports of Mr. Abrams appearance at S. C. Div. mtg on Nov. 11th.

Appreciatively,

Vida D. Spearman

Mrs. Eugene H. Spearman
Algene Acres, Newberry, S.C.

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Mrs. Agnes McCoy
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Ave., N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

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December 29, 1949

Mrs. Eugene H. Spearman
Algene Acres
Newberry, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

I was indeed sorry to learn of your illness and most regretful to be flat on my back at the same time, else I might at least have been able to come to see you. Being in the hospital is bad enough in itself but must be much worse when one is away from home.

I am glad to send you the Agenda for the Board and Annual Meetings. You will, of course, also receive the minutes of the board meetings which will be sent out whenever we can complete the task of cutting the stencils and running them off. With our severely depleted staff, we are literally drowning in the clerical work which continues to come in unabated.

I do hope you are feeling much better and that your operation will lay solid foundations on which you can now build health and well being.

With all good wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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Spearman, Mrs Eugene

July 19, 1949
VIA AIR MAIL

Mrs. Eugene Spearman
Algene Acres
Newberry, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

In our forthcoming issue of New South, we plan to run an article -- the third in a series -- on South Carolina's legislative apportionment. Enclosed is the brief manuscript, just completed. Your comments, including any changes you think advisable, would be most important to us.

Since we are behind in our New South schedule, we are proceeding to have the article set in type. But we shall gladly make such changes in the proof as are necessary.

Could you give us your reactions within the next day or two? I am sure you will understand the pressure of time which makes it necessary to ask for such a prompt answer.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Director of Information

HCF:nh

June 23, 1949

Mrs. Alice Spearman
Newberry
South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

You will be delighted I'm sure to know that Dr. Forrester B. Washington has officially accepted the chairmanship of the nominating committee of the Board for bringing in nominations to The Executive Committee. My letter to you has been delayed, due to the fact that Dr. Washington has been out of the city for some time.

In good time, before the Annual Meeting, I shall be sending you a record of attendance of members of the Executive Committee, as well as biographical material on each one of them. You will, of course, want to pass on to Dr. Washington any suggestions or ideas which you may have dealing with this Committee.

With all good wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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Dear Mrs. Spearman:

Mrs. McKoy sent on to Dr. Washington your letter asking whether Mr. Washington had accepted the chairmanship of the nominating committee. He has now written back, June 11, as enclosed.

I am delighted that you are having the committee on your conscience and preparing to make it active and effective.

I suppose we have no alternative but to propose to the Executive Committee at its meeting August 31, 1949, that Dr. Washington's resignation as chairman be accepted. That Committee can then proceed to pick a new chairman.

Meanwhile, here is the long promised biographical material about present members of the Executive Committee. I have sent copies of this biographical information to the other members of the nominating committee as follows:

Mr. John A. Griffin
Director of Community Education
Emory University
Georgia

Miss Florence Sytz
School of Social Work
Tulane University
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dr. Luther P. Jackson
Virginia State College
Petersburg, Virginia

I do hope you will correspond with the other members and work the ground for whatever nominations the committee may wish.

Members of the Executive Committee serve at the pleasure of the Board. The governing clauses from the by-laws are:

(to be supplied by Mrs. McKoy--MET)

Sincerely,

GSM

cc: Mrs. Eugene Spearman

March 28, 1949

Mrs. Alice Spearman
Algene Acres
Newberry, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee on March 16, members of the nominating committee of the Board for bringing in nominations to the Executive Committee were chosen by the Executive Committee as instructed by the Board in November.

Dr. Forrester Washington of the Atlanta University School of Social Work was chosen as chairman of this Committee, and other members named were yourself, Mr. John Griffin of Emory University, Miss Florency Sytz of the Tulane School of Social Work, and Dr. Luther Jackson of Virginia State College at Petersburg.

I do hope you will find it possible to serve on this Committee. May I not hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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December 8, 1947

Mrs. Alice Spearman
"Algene Acres"
Newberry, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

It is with much pleasure that I advise you of your ~~nomination~~ election, at the membership meeting of the Southern Regional Council on November 12, to the Standing Nominating Committee of 1948 for the nomination of members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Council.

Dr. Forrester B. Washington, of Atlanta University, is the Chairman of this committee of three, and the other member is Mr. John Griffin, 1426 Clairmont Road, Atlanta, Georgia.

We are very happy to welcome you to this important committee and sincerely trust that you will find it possible to serve.

For your information we are attaching a list of the Board of Directors from whom members of the Executive Committee are drawn. This list shows date of expiration of terms of all Board Members, and indicates by asterisk which ones are currently members of the Executive Committee. Please do not hesitate to write us whenever we can be of service.

With every good wish for the holidays, and for the year that follows, I am

Most cordially yours,

(Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

Enclosure

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February 5, 1946

Mrs. Eugene H. Spearman
Algene Acres
Newberry, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

In Dr. Johnson's absence from the office, I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 23.

We are delighted that you have accepted membership on our Board of Directors, and we are looking forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Inez B. Tillison,
For the Executive Director

Algene Acres
Newberry, S.C.
Jan. 23, 1946

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Mr. Guy B. Johnson
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

You are right, a house full of sickness and other emergencies have made me oblivious to duties outside our home!

I shall be very glad to accept membership on the Board of Directors of S.R.C. and hope that I may be of some real service.

My apology for the delay in accepting this responsibility.

Cordially yours.

Alice H. Spearman

(Mrs. Eugene H. Spearman)

January 16, 1946

Mrs. Eugene H. Spearman
Algene Acres
Newberry, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

Sometime ago we invited you to accept membership on the Board of Directors of SRC. No doubt the pressure of your duties has prevented your giving attention to this matter. We are preparing the list of our 1946 Board members for publication and we are very anxious to know whether you are willing to accept membership on the Board.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am, with best wishes,

Cordially yours,

GUY B. JOHNSON,
Executive Director

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SRC Board of Directors

November 20, 1945

Mrs. Eugene H. Spearman
Algene Acres
Newberry, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

It is my pleasure to inform you that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council on November 14, you were elected to membership on the Board for a term of four years. I sincerely hope that you will accept this election and that you will give the Council the benefit of your wisdom as a member of its Board of Directors.

For your information the Board holds two regular meetings annually. One of these is held on the day preceding the annual meeting of members and the other is held immediately on the adjournment of the annual meeting. The time of the annual meeting is the second Wednesday in November. Special meetings of the Board may be called from time to time. The Council bears expenses of Board members when they attend meetings.

Again let me say that we hope that you will accept service on the Board of Directors. May we hear from you soon.

Cordially yours,

GUY B. JOHNSON,
Executive Director

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Suddeth

August 21, 1951

Mrs. W. B. Suddeth
1106 Virginia Ave., N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mrs. Suddeth:

The March meeting of the Council's Executive Committee asked the President of the Council, Paul Williams of Richmond, to select a committee from among members of the Council to make nominations for the Board of Directors. Paul Williams has asked you to serve on the committee. I do hope you can accept.

The others named are Nat Welch of Montgomery, Art Levin of Atlanta, Ocie Lee Smith of Little Rock, Mrs. William Hogue of Houston, Mrs. Carter V. Mason of Norfolk, and Bob Thompson of Atlanta, chairman.

Annually also the Board of Directors picks a nominating committee to recommend members of the Executive Committee and officers of the Council. The chairman of this committee will be Glenn Rainey. It has several other Atlanta members--Morris Abram, Harry Richardson, Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie.

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If it is all right with you to serve, there is nothing more for you to do until we call you, which will be soon.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

Sept. 6, 1951

Mr. R. A. Thompson
Atlanta Urban League
239 Auburn Ave., N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Bob:

I want to lay out for you as well as I can before you meet the problems of this year's nominating committees. You remember you are to meet up here Monday afternoon, September 17, at 3:30 to try to puzzle it out.

The by-laws of the Council provide for a Board of not to exceed 72 elected members. In addition, the Board contains the Council's officers and the heads of our State Divisions, who are on the Board ex-officio. The elected members of the Board are put on it for four-year terms (the terms being variously staggered by classes).

At the annual meeting in 1950, although there were fourteen or fifteen vacancies to fill, the members made only two or three elections to the Board (and those to fill vacancies created by resignation or death), because there was a good deal of feeling that the governing body of the Council should be reduced in size. With some the proposal was that we ultimately collapse the functions of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, having simply an Executive Board of perhaps seventeen members. And if that were in the wind, why keep on adding to the Board?

So, in 1950, most of the vacancies were left.

Now here comes another complication. If the Council were to be substantially aided by the foundation it has sought help from, it would probably be well to reorganize the whole Council. Such a reorganization would hand the membership records over to the several separate State Divisions. We have kept the records here because this was the only spot that had any staff, and therefore the only place that could bill and post. But under a new dispensation, each State Division would have a staff and could keep its own records and build its own membership (we hope, rapidly). Then the Southern Regional Council would

become a federation of these vigorous State organizations. The Council would help the States in picking staff and would advise the States in their programs and would tie their programs together and would get out a magazine and would direct the work of a small staff of people to do research interpretation. Most members whom we have consulted have thought that under those circumstances, it would be well to have the Council itself become not a Southwide membership organization (the members would have moved into their own State organizations) but a self-perpetuating Board, representing the South at large and representing the State Divisions. Perhaps two-thirds of the members of the new Board would be representatives generally and one-third would be on it ex-officio as officers of State organizations. We suppose there would be twelve State organizations. We now have eleven, one way or another. There probably ought to be two ex-officiopersons from each State organization, in order fairly to represent the two leading racial groups. Which gives us 22 right there. Forty-four more, chosen generally, would make a Board of Directors of 66 people. It might be well to push it up to 72 just to have leeway.

Such a Board would presumably work through an Executive Committee of twelve or fifteen members, meeting quarterly.

Now the problem is to offer to the forthcoming annual meeting, December 12, 1951, lists of nominees, which lists would fit either of two situations: Situation (a), with the Council going along much as it is, or Situation (b), with the Council much refreshed in funds. I think there is a way to do it.

Under Situation (a), we could follow the wishes expressed by a good many members last year and transfer the present powers of the Board of Directors to a seventeen-man Executive Board. That Executive Board could then be assisted by an Advisory Committee of about seventy members.

Under Situation (b), the seventy-odd persons nominated for membership on an Advisory Committee could be transformed into the Council itself. They would then presumably choose an Executive Board.

So that either situation could be met if we had from the two nominating committees both (1) nominations to a small Executive Board, and (2) Fifty-odd nominations to a 72-man Advisory Committee.

Of course, there is still another possibility (which fits in all right with the above), under which the membership meeting in December of this year would say, "Go on quite as you are." Hereupon, your nominations to an Advisory Committee would become instead nominations to the regular today-existing Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council.

Now you will see why we have asked the Atlanta members to come to a small meeting to try to get this all straight.

We have all the documents and full lists of vacancies from the Board and of many eligibles. We thought that after the Atlanta members had deliberated, we would put all this before the other members of the nominating committees, advantaged by your here-in-Atlanta conclusions and recommendations.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Same letter to Atlanta Members of both nominating committees.

September 6, 1951

Mr. R. A. Thompson
Atlanta Urban League
239 Auburn Ave., N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Bob:

We would like to have a brief meeting of the Atlanta members of the two nominating committees on Monday, September 17, at 3:30, here in the Council's offices.

We promise not to keep you long, but we would greatly like for you to help us then.

There is a complicated job of nominating this year, and we need to talk about it.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Same letter to: Art Levin, Morris Abram, Glenn Rainey, Harry Richardson, Cassandra Birnie

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August 27, 1951

Mr. Robert A. Thompson
Atlanta Urban League
239 Auburn Ave., N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Bob:

I don't know how I am going to get you let off of being chairman, but come to the meeting when we call it anyway, and maybe the committee would pick somebody else if you persist in not being chairman.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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FOR SOCIAL SERVICE AMONG NEGROES

239 AUBURN AVENUE ATLANTA, GA.

TELEPHONE WALNUT 2355

August 23, 1951

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Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I would prefer working on the committee instead of serving as chairman of the committee, and would be willing to aid the Council in any job or responsibility that I can.

Please keep me informed as to what you will want me to do.

With best wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

R. A. Thompson, Jr.

R. A. Thompson, Jr.
Associate Secretary

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

SRC Nominations

Thompson

August 21, 1951

Mr. Robert A. Thompson
Atlanta Urban League
239 Auburn Ave., N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Thompson:

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George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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ATLANTA REGIONAL OFFICE
11 PRYOR ST., S. W.-ATLANTA, GA.

For your information

George Mitchell

See corrections

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Regards

Art Levin

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SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT
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LETTER TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE FOR MEMBERSHIP ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 21, 1951

Mr. Art Levin
890 Argonne Ave.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Art:

You will remember Paul Williams's request of some weeks ago that you serve as a member of this committee.

We expect the annual membership meeting to occur this year December 12.

On September 17 a meeting was arranged here of Atlanta members of your committee. Mr. Bob Thompson and Mr. Art Levin met with the staff and also with Mr. Harry Richardson, who is a member of the Board's committee to nominate its Executive Committee.

The complicated matters before us this year were explained in advance by letter to the Atlanta Board members, copy of which is enclosed for you.

The meeting on the 17th addressed itself to choosing, from among past and present members of the Board and other names before it, a select list of persons so outstandingly useful to the Council's purposes that they should be urged for membership on whatever Board or Advisory Committee the Council might have. Here are listed by States, those so selected:

Alabama
F. D. Patterson--college president

Arkansas
Harry Ashmore--editor

Florida
Herbert Davidson--editor
R. P. Daniel--lawyer

Georgia
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton--social worker
Arthur J. Moore--clergyman
Morris Abram--lawyer
Benjamin E. Mays--college president
Harry V. Richardson--seminary president
Rufus E. Clement--college president
John A. Griffin--professor
J. B. Blayton--businessman
Elbert Tuttle--lawyer
Raymond Paty--business executive
Josephine Wilkins--organizational leader

Kentucky
Rufus E. Atwood--college president

Louisiana
V. J. O'Connell--clergyman
Florence Sytz--college president
Felton Clark--college president

Mississippi
Jacob L. Reddix--college president
H. Brent Schaeffer--clergyman

North Carolina
John H. Wheeler--banker
W. W. Alexander--farmer
Clyde Milner--college president
Howard W. Odum--professor
Charlotte Hawkins Brown--college president
Marion A. Wright--lawyer

South Carolina
J. M. Dabbs--farmer
James L. Coker--businessman
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman--organizational leader
Mrs. C. C. Withington--church leader

Tennessee
Charles S. Johnson--college president
E. W. Palmer--publisher
Z. A. Looby--lawyer

Texas
Carter Wesley--editor

Virginia
Gordon Hancock--professor
Virginius Dabney--editor
Alonzo G. Morón--college president
J. G. Pollard--farmer
Arthur W. Mitchell--former member of Congress

Some additional names were mentioned as suitable for membership on the Board. These are as follows:

Stanley Rosenbaum

Alabama
[redacted]--businessman--Florence
A. S. Turnipseed--clergyman--Montgomery
William Mitch--United Mine Workers official--Birmingham
Charles Zukowski--banker--Birmingham

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Arkansas
F. H. Davis--college president--Pine Bluff

Georgia
Richard Rich--merchant--Atlanta
Hughes Spalding, Jr.--banker--Atlanta
Mrs. A. A. Hardy--church leader--Thomaston

Mississippi
Alexander ~~Klein~~ Kline--rabbi--Clarksdale

South Carolina
A. R. Suritz--businessman--Rock Hill

Tennessee
Dan May--Board of Education--Nashville
Morton Tendler--physician--Memphis
[redacted]--rabbi--Bristol

Isadore Fromzblan

Virginia
P. B. Young, Jr.--editor--Norfolk

The views of the Atlanta members of the committee have no special validity, and it is of the greatest importance for the other members to add or remove names as they may wish. The more so because, as you will see, the list is too heavy with Georgia names. It would be well if as many as seventy names were before the committee finally.

I suggest that you alter this list as you will and send it back in to us. We will then arrange another meeting of the Atlanta members and send out to you again for criticism a possible composite list. If you can get to the annual meeting in December, your committee can meet as a whole then. But we should be prepared with your views, got by mail, as best we can.

We have worked on the assumption that the first consideration in picking someone is not that he shall be our friend (our friends will help us anyhow), but that he shall be of the right sympathies and one potentially useful in action and influence.

We are shy on businessmen and need more. Some more doctors would help us. Fill in the gaps as best you can with people you know. The whole Council will be grateful for your efforts.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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August 21, 1951

Mr. Art Levin
890 Argonne Ave., N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

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Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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October 12, 1951

Mr. Ernest E. Neal
Tuskegee Institute
Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

Dear Ernest:

Mighty nice to see you the last couple of days. So very good to be in touch with people to work on agricultural things who don't wear the chains of bureaucracy.

Let me know the next time you come over here, and we will get together.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

October 15, 1951

Mrs. William C. White
Okechobee, Fla.

Dear Mrs. White:

Here is a letter I have written Dabbs. To save typing, I simply send you a copy.

Would it be feasible to let Mrs. Tilly assemble simultaneously some churchwomen along with the Daytona meeting? Is that still scheduled for December 7?

I remember that Mr. Davidson said his hall held only about 75 people, but I still think that would be room enough.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Encl.

October 9, 1951

Mrs. William C. White
Okeechobee, Fla.

Dear Mrs. White:

A friend in Montgomery told me than a man recently on the staff of the St. Petersburg Times might be a good prospect for the Council. The new St. Pete man is Sam Stickney.

I wrote him, and he wrote back that he liked what he heard of the Council but, as an editorial writer, he wanted to be free of any associations that might open him to the charge of echoing anybody else's opinions.

But he said he would be glad to hear of anything we would do in that area and would appreciate our recommending anyone to him locally for a true picture of St. Petersburg's racial problems.

Our members in St. Petersburg are: Mrs. E. C. Brown, Rev. Frank P. Anderson, Miss Lillian Holmes and Mr. Frank E. Short.

At Clearwater is Emily Clay, who used to be the Secretary-Treasurer of the old Interracial Commission.

I don't know any of these except Emily.

If you can tell me somebody who would helpful to Stickney, please do. Otherwise, I will suggest that he get in touch with Emily Clay.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

October 4, 1951

Mrs. William C. White
Okeechobee, Fla.

Dear Mrs. White:

I am glad you are off to a new start.

Would you like to see Mr. Caxton Doggett become a member of the Board of Directors of the whole Council? If so, send me a little more about him, and I could put his name before the nominating committee.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Okeechobee, Florida
October 2, 1951

Dr. Geo. Mitchell
63 Auburn Ave., N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:
This has been delayed a few days since receiving yours of the 27th but a long distance sent me to West Palm Beach on Sunday and yesterday was another out of town appointment. United Nations talks has packed an otherwise overloaded month.

A look at our Constitution verified your statement that the Annual Meeting is called by the Executive Committee. My first thought was that this committee had already been polled since according to Parliamentary Procedure or Robert's Rules, the Executive Committee comprises the executive officers: president vice-presidents, secretary & treasurer. Another more careful look at the Constitution this morning gave me concern since it quite evidently construes the Board of Directors to be the Executive Committee. I shall write them today, enclosing copy in this letter.

Am also writing Mr. Davidson to set date of either the afternoon of Monday, Oct. 15th or the morning of Oct. 16th for my meeting with him.

Thanks a great deal for all your efforts. It has been a great relief to me.

I would like to see Caxton Doggett brought into greater activity. He is a young Methodist preacher in Miami andmuch interested. Is now a director.

Cordially,
Inez S. White
Mrs. Wm. C.

Okeechobee, Florida
October 2, 1951

To Members of Executive Committee
Florida Division
Southern Regional Council

Dear
At the request of Mr. W. W. Gibbs, of Miami, President of the Florida Division, I am polling the Executive Committee to ascertain their wishes re the Annual Meeting of this organization.

Suggested place - Daytona Beach

Suggested date - Friday, December 7th

It would be well if I could hear from you immediately if you approve these tentative plans or if you have other suggestions. If I do not hear from you by October 12th, your silence shall be construed to mean your approval.

Any suggestions you may have as to program or matters which should be included in the agenda will be gratefully received.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Wm. C. White
Sec.-Treas., Fla. Div.

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August 6, 1951

Mrs. W. C. White
Okeechobee, Fla.

Dear Mrs. White:

I had Friday a copy of a second letter which Dick Daniel sent Mr. Gibbs.

In his new letter Mr. Daniel reminded Gibbs that what was primarily needed was appointing a nominating committee and picking a time and place for the next annual meeting. Dankel wrote me that if you would write Mr. Gibbs one more letter, he (Daniel) thought Gibbs would give you a prompt reply.

Mr. Daniel went on in his second letter to Gibbs to suggest that if Mr. Gibbs were willing to serve for another year, Daniel would be glad to nominate him; but if not, Daniel thought he could talk Crawford Solomon, of Jacksonville, into taking it.

I know Solomon and like him and think he would do an excellent job.

Dick Daniel leaves August 7 for a South American cruise and doesn't get back to Jacksonville until September 20, or thereabouts.

These are confidential matters thus far, but I hope presage smoother things.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence.

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August 1, 1951

Mrs. W. C. White
Okeechobee, Fla.

Dear Mrs. White:

Dick Daniel did very kindly write to Mr. Gibbs and implore Gibbs to do the things needed.

If you do not hear pretty promptly, let me know.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

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October 30, 1951

Dr. D. Swan Haworth
First Baptist Church
Lumberton, N. C.

Dear Mr. Haworth:

Many thanks to you for sending us notice of your change of address to Lumberton.

We are sorry to lose you from Mississippi, but glad that you will be still within our reach.

I have a long link with Pembroke and the Indian community there, so, naturally, I feel a special interest in Lumberton. There is an able young woman employed as Robeson County social case worker (at the Lumberton office) for the Indian families. She was formerly Miss Ola Lee Jacobs—married now to an Indian farmer named, I believe, Blue. When you are strolling about the town, I think you would enjoy stopping in at the welfare office and making her acquaintance. I was associated with a group of people who helped pay for her education.

Another close friend now living at Pembroke and teaching vocational agriculture in the high school there is Abner Nash Locklear.

Some years ago the official leader of the Indian community was Martin Luther Lowry.

Historically, as you will by now have heard, the overwhelming proportion of Indians were sharecroppers on thirds! And Lumberton was to them a citadel of their landlords and little else. But with progress, a great many Indians have become family farmers—and some few are big landowners themselves (and sharecropping and tenancy have dwindled greatly). So that the economic basis has been laid for free cooperation between Lumberton and the Indian population.

I quite realize that the racial difficulties are considerable. But I thought you would wish to have in mind in your ministry in Lumberton that the town has a task which, for all I know, is yet unfulfilled of linking itself in equal citizenship with that important part of its near-by farming community. It occurred to me that you

might find ways in which to further that. I know that the Baptists and also, I believe, the Methodists churches of the Indians have their own Associations. Still, there must be this or that public courtesy that the Indians would recognize as marking their own astonishing growth.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

JRC- Bd of Directors
Membership

November 6, 1950

MEMORANDUM

TO: Norma Huff

FROM: George S. Mitchell

Materialized!

The Rev. Mr. D. Swan Haworth of Vicksburg, Miss., today by long distance phone said he was going to come to the Board meeting tomorrow. You may recall that he was elected a member of the Board in November 1949 and never answered any mail about it. So we never printed him as a member of the Board. But now he lives. He said he had neglected our important letter at the time and much later came across it and wondered whether he was still to be counted as a Board member. I hope I achieved all courtesies. Anyway, he is coming and will be at the Board meeting tomorrow at thy expense.

GSM:er

Nov. 7

November 17, 1949

Dr. D. Swan Haworth
First Baptist Church
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Dear Dr. Haworth:

The Council's annual membership meeting on November 9, upon the recommendation of the nominating committee, elected you to the Board of Directors. The Board is composed of 72 persons, drawn from over the South and widely representative of the people of the region. It meets ordinarily once a year, with travel expenses paid. It rests the function of supervision of the staff of the Council upon the Board's Executive Committee, made up of seven persons plus the officers of the Council.

I enclose a list of the present Board members and of the fourteen persons elected the other day. Board membership is held for varying periods. The term to which you were elected expires in 1952.

I warmly hope that you can give us in this way the benefit of your advice and experience. This is a time when the thoughtful working together of southern people is more needed than ever.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia
November 14, 1951

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LETTER TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE TO MAKE NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dear Nat: Welch

The following are the members of the Committee to Make Nominations for Membership on the Board of Directors:

Bob Thompson, Atlanta
Nat Welch, Montgomery
Art Levin, Atlanta
Ocie Lee Smith, Little Rock
Mrs. William Hogue, Houston
Mrs. V. Carter Mason, Norfolk

Of these, we have had opportunity to consult, in person or by mail, all except Mrs. Mason.

Based upon the recommendations and advice of the members of the Committee, the staff of the Council has put together the following lists:

I. In the event that the membership meeting should direct a complete reorganization of the Council, altering it into a self-perpetuating board.

F. D. Patterson	College President	Tuskegee
William Mitch	Labor Leader	Birmingham
Truman Hobbs	Lawyer	Montgomery
Harry Ashmore	Editor	Little Rock
U. S. Bond	Businessman & Planter	Madison, Ark.
Mrs. E. L. Rauschkolb	Church Leader	Little Rock
L. A. Davis	College President	Pine Bluff
Herbert Davidson	Editor	Daytona Beach
L. E. Thomas	Lawyer	Miami
G. D. Rogers, Jr.	Businessman	Tampa
R. P. Daniel	Lawyer	Jacksonville
Arthur J. Moore	Clergyman	Atlanta
Harry V. Richardson	Seminary President	Atlanta
Rufus E. Clement	University President	Atlanta
Morris Abram	Lawyer	Atlanta
Benjamin E. Mays	College President	Atlanta
Richard Rich	Businessman	Atlanta
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton	Social Worker	Atlanta
Josephine Wilkins	Organizational Leader	Atlanta
Rufus B. Atwood	College President	Frankfort
Hugh Brimm	Clergyman	Louisville
A. W. Dent	University President	New Orleans

Good — her husband is a Congressman & a big Baptist leader. Do Not know her personally but her background is good for SCLC

V. J. O'Connell	Clergyman	New Orleans
Florence Sytz	Social Worker & Dean	New Orleans
Felton Clark	College President	Baton Rouge
Jacob L. Reddix	College President	Jackson
Alexander Kline	Rabbi	Clarksdale
A. D. Stewart	Businessman	Amory
Howard W. Odum	Professor	Chapel Hill
Clyde Milner	College President	Guilford College
Marion A. Wright	Lawyer	Linville Falls
O. D. Duncan	Professor	Stillwater
A. Maceo Smith	Housing Official	Dallas
Will W. Alexander	Farmer	Chapel Hill
J. M. Dabbs	Farmer	Mayesville, S. C.
James L. Coker	Businessman	Hartsville
Mrs. C. C. Withington	Church Leader	Greenville
Charles S. Johnson	University President	Nashville
E. W. Palmer	Businessman	Kingsport
Mrs. E. U. Robinson	Church Leader	Franklin
Paul Christopher	Labor Leader	Knoxville
Z. A. Looby	Lawyer	Nashville
Carter Wesley	Editor	Houston
Stanley Marcus	Businessman	Houston
* W. L. Clayton	Businessman	Houston
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor	Church Leader	Houston
Maury Maverick, Jr.	Lawyer	San Antonio
John G. Pollard	Farmer	Somers
Arthur W. Mitchell	Farmer	Petersburg
Alonzo Moron	College President	Hampton
Virginius Dabney	Editor	Richmond
Gordon Hancock	Clergyman & Professor	Richmond

This is a total of 19 Negroes and 33 whites. By profession, the breakdown is: 4 church leaders, 4 farmers, 8 businessmen, 4 editors, 10 professional men, 6 clergymen, 14 academic persons, and 2 labor leaders.

This is a total of 52 persons. Presumably, a Board of this kind would have as additional full members approximately 24 persons serving ex officio on this Board, by virtue of their positions as top officials of State Divisions or State organizations of the Council.

II. In the event that the membership meeting should wish merely to bring the existing Board up to full strength, it would be in order to make 30 nominations to the 30 vacancies on the Board as at present constituted. If so large a number should be elected, it would be desirable to arrange for staggered terms.

Harry Ashmore
William Mitch
U. S. Bond
Mrs. E. L. Rauschkolb
L. A. Davis
G. D. Rogers, Jr.
R. P. Daniel
Richard Rich
Josephine Wilkins

* His influence & money would help. Is he interested in SCLC objectives. I hope so

Hugh Brimm		
V. J. O'Connell		
H. Brent Schaeffer	Clergyman	Jackson
Alexander Kline		
A. D. Stewart		
Mrs. C. C. Withington		
Z. A. Looby		
Morton Tendler	Physician	Memphis
A. Maceo Smith		
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor		
R. O'Hara Lanier	University President	Houston
W. L. Clayton		
E. A. Johnson	State President, NAACP	Natchitoches
Isadore Franzblau	Rabbi	Bristol
A. S. Turnipseed	Clergyman	Montgomery
Mrs. A. A. Hardy	Church Leader	Thomaston, Ga.
Ernest Neal	Professor	Tuskegee
Harold DeWitt	Social Worker	Richmond
Harry W. Roberts	Professor	Petersburg, Va.
* Mrs. Henry Havens	Church Leader	Jacksonville
Paul Christopher		
J. M. Dabbs		

III. In the event that the membership meeting directs the collapsing of the present Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee into a single, small Executive Board (17 members has been discussed):

F. D. Patterson		
Harry Ashmore		
Herbert Davidson		
Harry V. Richardson		
Rufus E. Clement		
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton		
Rufus B. Atwood		
Hugh Brimm		
A. W. Dent		
V. J. O'Connell		
~~Florence Sytz~~		
Jacob L. Reddix		
Howard W. Odum		
John H. Wheeler	Businessman	Durham
Charlotte Hawkins Brown	College President	Greensboro
J. M. Dabbs		
Carter Wesley		
Gordon Hancock		

IV. In the event that, in addition to a small Executive Board, there should be established a large Advisory Committee:

All of those listed under (I), above, not listed under (III), above.

If you will send back your comments, it should be possible to have another composite list available for such members of the Nominating Committee as are present at the membership meeting December 12.

* I met her son, an Episcopal clergyman, on the train the other day + discussed Race Relations with him. He seemed neither liberal or reactionary — pretty much neutral.

Use your pencil freely for crossings out or additions, please.

On the advice of those members of the Nominating Committee who could be consulted in person, the above lists have been made up on the supposition that all of the Council's longtime friends will continue to be interested in it, whether they are on the Board or not. With this in mind, many names of persons greatly interested in the Council are not on the lists, and in their stead are names of persons whose knowledge of and sympathy with the work of the Council may be as yet small, but whom it is believed would become earnest and helpful in the Council's work.

Good if we could have your comments by November 25.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

E.G.

GSM:ec
Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence.

George —

Think you have done a good job on a very complicated situation. Don't believe I can be of much more help.

Don't take my observations too seriously — — just passing comments.

Some of these folks are not SRC members. I think you should write these — let 'em know what we are doing — and sound 'em out on SRC. They need to have some interest & either seem to be good board members.

Personal regards,

Nat

October 2, 1951

Mr. Nat Welch
Southern Farm and Home
Box 509
Montgomery, Ala.

Dear Nat:

Most helpful letter. Many thanks.

I have sent off the 25 copies of the leaflet to you, and we will be cultivating the other people that you specially marked.

I haven't seen your paper for a couple of months. Can you see if I am expired, or what?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence.

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RECEIVED OCT 2 1951 Southern Regional Council

NAT WELCH
Southern
Advertising Representative

October 1, 1951

Mr. George Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear George:

Herewith is your list for prospective members of the Board of Directors. I know some of the folks very well.....but most I do not know. I have made notations on the list about those I do know.

Here's my off the cuff opinion on your constitutional problems. A board of 72 persons is probably unweildy. I think a board of 15 or so would be more effective. However in an organizationof this kind it is most important to intergrate as many as possbile in the movement.....so I think an Advisory Group of 70 is <u>important</u> to keep.

Generally speaking.....I think you need more young people and more newspaper editors on the Board. Young leaders give the board vitality and the experience will help train better leadership. One of the Councils greatest forts has been the good press it has received in the South.....more newspaper editors on the board will help to get an even better press. I agree that more business men are desirable.

Here are some names I would like to add.....

1. Hugo Black Jr, Mitch Cooper & Black Attorneys, Birmingham. Young Hugo is a chip of the old block. Smart, intelligent, and effective. I haven't been able to sign him up yet as a member. He's a labor lawyer and feels its better to shoot one gun.

2. Truman Hobbs, Godbold & Hobbs Attorneys, Montgomery. Son of Congressman Sam Hobbs but not like the old man on race relations. Former law clerk of Justice Black. Has the greatest knack for leadership of any young man I know.

3. * Mary Shadow, Athens Tenn. Now married and living in Nashville. Don't know the new name and address. M.A in ~~xxxx~~ Roscoe Martin's political science group to train future government leaders for the South. Youngest woman ever elected to Tenn. Legislature. Employed previously as the college contact person for Young Democrat Clubs of America.

4. * Minnie Fisher Cunningham, New Waverly Texas.....probably the most influencial woman in the state of Texas. Retired to her farm but from there she spends her full time training young leadership in Texas. Huge number of contacts....a great and wise woman.

5. D. B. Hardeman, Sherman, Texas. Great and effective liberal. Thirtyish. Managed Homer Rainey's campaign for Governor in 1946. Knows more good folks in Texas than anybody else. Made a fine record in the legislature this past year.

6. * Maury Maverick, Jr. San Antonio...another chip off the old block. Member of Texas Legislature.

7. * A. D. Stewart, Amory, Miss. A very fine liberal (and they are scarce in Miss.) and a good leader. In his sixties.

8. * Sam Stickney, St. Petersburg Times. Managing Editor of Charlie Dobbins' Examainer here in Montgomery for four years. Now editorial writer for St. Petersburg Times. A real democrat and a very good newspaperman.

9. * Nelson Poynter, Publisher of St. Petersburg Times. Two people who I respect give conflicting reports on him.

10. * David Stern Jr., New Orleans Item....know only by reputation.

11. * Stanley Marcus, President of Neiman-Marcus, Dallas, Texas. A fine citizen with money. A good businessman for you but check him closer.

12. Ralph Hammond, Box 344, Monroe, La. Now Field Director for Red Cross in 30 La. Parishes. Publicity Director For Folsom Administration. Best member of his cabinet. Writer. Tremendous ability.

13. * Sam Douglas, Pres. A.F.of L. in Alabama. Other than Bill Mitch, the best labor leader in Ala. Good on race lerations. Intelligent and good leader.

14. Myles Horton....you know

15. Mary McLeod Bethune....you know....one of the great Negro leaders of the nation.

16. Lucy Mason...you know

17. Dean G. C. Gomillion.....of Tuskegee Inst. A hard worker and they are hard to fine. Intensely interested in race relations. Has done a fine job for Ala. Div.

18. * Hugh Brinn, Exec. Dir. of Social Service Commission of Southern Bapt. Convention Doing a great job with his monthly publication "Light". Liberal Baptist are hard to find and I think he would be the finest pick among that group.

Let me know I I can be of further help.

Nat

* Send pamphlet "What Kind of South do you Want" to these folks and membership dope if not members. Also send 25 copies of this pamphlet to me.

The Ala. Div. is having a board meeting here in Montgomery tomorrow.

Done

PAUL D. WILLIAMS, RICHMOND
PRESIDENT
JOHN H. WHEELER, DURHAM
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT
GUY B. JOHNSON, CHAPEL HILL
SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT
CARTER WESLEY, HOUSTON
THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT
HAROLD L. TRIGG, RALEIGH
FOURTH VICE-PRESIDENT
CHARLES S. JOHNSON, NASHVILLE
CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
GEORGE S. MITCHELL
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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SECRETARY-TREASURER
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LETTER TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE FOR MEMBERSHIP ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 21, 1951

Mr. Nat Welch
1103 Magnolia Curve
Montgomery, Ala.

Dear Nat:

You will remember Paul Williams's request of some weeks ago that you serve as a member of this committee.

We expect the annual membership meeting to occur this year December 12.

On September 17 a meeting was arranged here of Atlanta members of your committee. Mr. Bob Thompson and Mr. Art Levin met with the staff and also with Mr. Harry Richardson, who is a member of the Board's committee to nominate its Executive Committee.

The complicated matters before us this year were explained in advance by letter to the Atlanta Board members, copy of which is enclosed for you.

The meeting on the 17th addressed itself to choosing, from among past and present members of the Board and other names before it, a select list of persons so outstandingly useful to the Council's purposes that they should be urged for membership on whatever Board or Advisory Committee the Council might have. Here are listed by States, those so selected:

Alabama
F. D. Patterson—college president Fine — able Man

Arkansas
Harry Ashmore—editor good — we Need more editors — his a top one

Florida
Herbert Davidson—editor
R. P. Daniel—lawyer

Georgia
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton--social worker
Arthur J. Moore--clergyman
Morris Abram--lawyer
Benjamin E. Mays--college president
Harry V. Richardson--seminary president
Rufus E. Clement--college president
John A. Griffin--professor
J. B. Blayton--businessman
Elbert Tuttle--lawyer
Raymond Paty--business executive I vote for him
Josephine Wilkins--organizational leader
Excellent

Kentucky
Rufus E. Atwood--college president

Louisiana
V. J. O'Connell--clergyman
Florence Sytz--college president
Felton Clark--college president

Mississippi
Jacob L. Reddix--college president
H. Brent Schaeffer--clergyman

North Carolina
John H. Wheeler--banker
W. W. Alexander--farmer Old — but still going strong
Clyde Milner--college president
Howard W. Odum--professor Definitely yes
Charlotte Hawkins Brown--college president
Marion A. Wright--lawyer

South Carolina
J. M. Dabbs--farmer
James L. Coker--businessman Highly respected family in S.C.
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman--organizational leader
Mrs. C. C. Withington--church leader

Tennessee
Charles S. Johnson--college president Very good
E. W. Palmer--publisher
Z. A. Looby--lawyer

Texas
Carter Wesley--editor

Virginia
Gordon Hancock--professor
Virginius Dabney--editor
Alonzo G. Morón--college president
J. G. Pollard--farmer
Arthur W. Mitchell--former member of Congress — Very dynamic + a tremendously strong Man

Perry

Some additional names were mentioned as suitable for membership on the Board. These are as follows:

Alabama
Louis Rosenbaum, Jr.--businessman--Florence don't know
A. S. Turnipseed--clergyman--Montgomery Very Christian & liberal
William Mitch--United Mine Workers official--Birmingham Labor. Rock of Gibraltar in Ala. Strong Man on Race relations
Charles Zukowski--banker--Birmingham don't know

Arkansas
F. H. Davis--college president--Pine Bluff

Georgia
Richard Rich--merchant--Atlanta — Very good
Hughes Spalding, Jr.--banker--Atlanta
Mrs. A. A. Hardy--church leader--Thomaston

Mississippi
Alexander Klein--rabbi--Clarksdale

South Carolina
A. R. Suritz--businessman--Rock Hill

Tennessee
Dan May--Board of Education--Nashville
Morton Tendler--physician--Memphis
Franz Blau--rabbi--Bristol

Virginia
P. B. Young, Jr.--editor--Norfolk

The views of the Atlanta members of the committee have no special validity, and it is of the greatest importance for the other members to add or remove names as they may wish. The more so because, as you will see, the list is too heavy with Georgia names. It would be well if as many as seventy names were before the committee finally.

I suggest that you alter this list as you will and send it back in to us. We will then arrange another meeting of the Atlanta members and send out to you again for criticism a possible composite list. If you can get to the annual meeting in December, your committee can meet as a whole then. But we should be prepared with your views, got by mail, as best we can.

We have worked on the assumption that the first consideration in picking someone is not that he shall be our friend (our friends will help us anyhow), but that he shall be of the right sympathies and one potentially useful in action and influence.

We are shy on businessmen and need more. Some more doctors would help us. Fill in the gaps as best you can with people you know. The whole Council will be grateful for your efforts.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

Memorandum on Board of Directors as of August, 1951

The Board contains as of now 53 regularly elected members, as follows:

Class of 1951 (11)

Not eligible for immediate reelection:

Georgia
C. H. Gillman
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
T. James McNamara
Arthur J. Moore
Louisiana
A. W. Dent
North Carolina
John H. Wheeler. Has place on Board, ex-officio, as Vice-President of SRC.
Virginia
Wilson M. Brown
Gordon Hancock

Eligible for immediate reelection:

Mississippi
Mrs. W. H. Ratliff. Completing first term.
South Carolina
J. M. Dabbs. Completing first term. Also has place on Board, ex-officio, as head of South Carolina Division.
Tennessee
Paul Christopher. First elected in 1949 to fill term expiring in 1951. Definitely yes — probably strongest labor leader in the South.

Class of 1952 (19)

Arkansas
R. R. Wright, Jr.
Florida
Herbert Davidson
Georgia
Morris Abram
Benjamin E. Mays
Harry V. Richardson
Louisiana
V. J. O'Connell
Florence Sytz
Mississippi
D. Swan Haworth
North Carolina
W. W. Alexander
Clyde Milner
N. C. Newbold
Howard W. Odum
R. B. Wellons

Oklahoma
O. D. Duncan
Tennessee
Charles S. Johnson
E. W. Palmer
Virginia
Virginius Dabney
Arthur Raper
P. B. Young

Class of 1953 (21)

Alabama
Charles Mantinband
F. D. Patterson
Florida
Mrs. Warren Zeuch
Georgia
Rufus E. Clement
John A. Griffin
Armand May
Lorimer D. Milton
Glenn W. Rainey
Forrester B. Washington
Kentucky
E. A. McDowell
C. H. Parrish
E. A. Penick
North Carolina
Charlotte Hawkins Brown
Marion A. Wright
South Carolina
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie
A. T. Butler
James L. Coker
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
Texas
Carter Wesley
Virginia
Alonzo G. Moron
J. G. Pollard

Class of 1954 (1)

Virginia
Arthur W. Mitchell

Additionally, the Board contains the following persons who, as officers of the Council, are ex-officio members of the Board:

Paul D. Williams
John H. Wheeler
Guy B. Johnson
Carter Wesley
Harold L. Trigg
Leonard Haas

George S. Mitchell

John H. Wheeler (class of 1951) and Carter Wesley (class of 1958) are regularly elected members of the Board, who are additionally entitled to membership ex-officio as Vice-Presidents.

The Board contains also, as ex-officio heads of State Divisions or State Committees eleven non-elected members:

Alabama--A. D. Beittel
Arkansas--W. W. Wilke
Florida--W.W. Gibbs
Georgia--George E. Clary
Kentucky--J. M. Tydings
Louisiana--L. J. Twomey
Mississippi--John Long
North Carolina--Leon Russell
Tennessee--Alfred Wynders
Texas--Mrs. James S. Crate
Virginia--J. M. Ellison

Thus, the vacancies available in November, 1951, will be as follows:

Full strength authorized by by-laws	72
Present elected members	53
Vacancies	19
But of the 53 elected members, 11 are of the class of 1951, adding vacancies	11
Total vacancies	30

It would be possible to make one further vacancy, by electing a replacement to the class of 1953 in the place of Carter Wesley, who, as Vice-President has a seat on the Board ex-officio.

The by-laws provide (Article IV, Sec. 1) that, "No elected director shall serve more than two consecutive full terms of four years each."

Under this provision, the following former members of the Board will in 1951 be eligible for re-election:

Alabama
D. V. Jemison, class of 1950 — Old but a War Horse. From my home Town. Holds probably most important position in U.S. in Negro religious circles
Donald Comer, " " 1950 — Very conservative but highly respected in dis to dist
Florida
R. P. Daniel, 1949
Emily Clay, 1950
Edgar Ray, 1950
Francis Bridges, 1944
H. D. Goode, 1948
Mrs. Henry Havens
Walter J. Matherly
Georgia
Jacob Henderson, 1949

Maynard Jackson, 1949
Gerald P. O'Hara
Raymond Paty — yes
Philip H. Shulhafer, 1950
Goodrich White, 1950
Josephine Wilkins, 1950 — yes
Mrs. H. E. Tilly. Elected 1944. Became field secretary 1946. very fine

Kentucky
Rufus E. Atwood, 1950
Charles W. Anderson, Jr. Member 1944-45.
Charles W. Clingman, 1948

Louisiana
Felton Clark, 1950
Ernest Delpit. Dropped 1948 for non-payment of dues.

Mississippi
Jacob L. Reddix, 1948

North Carolina
David D. Jones, 1950

South Carolina
J. G. Stuart, 1948

Tennessee
William E. Cole, 1950
Z. A. Looby, 1948

Virginia
Charles Smith, 1950
Edmund M. Preston, 1944

Others
Thomas S. Staple, 1948
Mrs. A. M. P. Strong, 1948

The following former Board members have, at one time or another, resigned:

Name and State	Year Resigned
Aubrey Williams, Alabama	1949
Frank W. Spencer, Georgia	1947
Edgar B. Stern, Louisiana	1948
P. H. Easom, Mississippi	1947
F. C. Wilcoxon, Mississippi	1947 — Now retired from YMCA work. My brother worked under him for 2 years in YMCA work. Do Not think he would be interested in serving
J. W. Seabrook, North Carolina	1949
Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, North Carolina	1949
R. B. Herbert, South Carolina	1947
James L. Robb, Tennessee	1945

Weakkneed when I saw her at interracial meeting in SC in 1941

The following have been, at one time or another, elected to the Board but did not accept:

Georgia
E. L. Abercrombie, 1949
Lillian Smith, 1944

Kentucky
Barry Bingham, 1945 and 1948
Mark Etheridge, 1948

North Carolina
Jonathan Daniels, 1948
Gordon Gray, 1945

George Watts Hill, 1945
South Carolina
Judge Waites Waring, 1948
Tennessee
Jennings Perry, 1946
Texas
Archbishop R. M. Lucey, 1944
Virginia
Webster Rhoads, 1950
Louis W. Strauss, 1950
T. W. Wilmer, 1944

Former Board members who have moved out of region:

Horace Mann Bond, 1945
Stanley Brav, 1948
Louis Burnham, 1949
Clarke Foreman, 1949
Ryland Knight,
W. H. Marmion, 1950
Homer P. Rainey, 1947
Ira DeA. Reid, 1948

Former ex-officio member, not now on Board and eligible for election:

Rev. H. Brent Schaeffer, Jackson, Mississippi, Chairman of Mississippi Division, 1948-1950.

The following persons have, within the last two or three years, been suggested for membership on the Board:

Arkansas
Harry Ashmore — Yes
Georgia
Blanton Fortson
William Hepburn — Yes — a very strong man. Intelligent + able. Now on leave from Emory + with WSB in Washington. Check on his availability.
W. A. Mason
Thomas W. Culpepper
Kentucky
Ed Waller Weyler
Mississippi
Bethany Swearingen
Mrs. Lillian Rogers Johnson
North Carolina
Don Shoemaker
South Carolina
E. C. Wall
Mrs. C. C. Withington
Tennessee
Mrs. Moses Cantor
Texas
J. L. Clark

Appended is a current list of Fellows of the Council.

August 27, 1951

Mr. Nat Welch
Southern Farm and Home
Montgomery 1, Ala.

Dear Nat:

Many thanks for your letter. Most interesting about Macon County.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432 - 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

I received your letter of August 21, inviting me to serve on the Nominating Committee, and I will be happy to be of service.

Thought you would like to see the attached letter from Dr. Beittel.

Warm regards,

Nat

Nat Welch

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S O U T H E R N R E G I O N A L C O U N C I L, Inc.

Room 432 - 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E. Atlanta 3, Georgia

ALABAMA DIVISION

Talladega College
Talladega, Alabama
August 15, 1951

Mr. Nat Welch
1103 Magnolia Curve
Montgomery, Alabama

Dear Mr. Welch:

I agree with you that we should do something about police brutality in Birmingham. I have written to Mr. Shores to explore the possibility of getting accurate information about the various cases. Mr. Shores is out of the city at the present time, but I expect to have word from him after his return.

I like both of your suggestions. I think it will be well to have an interview with Governor Persons as early as we can arrange it following the close of the legislative session. Your suggestion of publishing a report of the conditions in Birmingham is also good. I agree with you that it is exceedingly important that we have dependable information before we see the Governor or print a bulletin.

I shall let President Trenholm and Dean Gomillion know of your suggestions. I hope we shall be able to move in on this deplorable situation in September.

With good wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

/S/ A. D. BEITTEL

A. D. Beittel, Chairman

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Southern Farm and Home

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For 114 years, SOUTHERN FARMER has had an important place and played a significant part in the progress of the South.

Time has brought about many changes in the life of the Southern farm family. The tempo of their lives has changed . . . their interests today are as wide and varied as their city cousins'. For some time, we have felt that the name SOUTHERN FARMER no longer typifies our readership, which is comprised of *all* members of the "rural" families that are subscribers. We have, therefore, decided to adopt a more inclusive name, beginning with the September issue . . . it is, SOUTHERN FARM AND HOME. This name, it seems to us, is truly descriptive of our editorial content, which is pitched to farm, home and family interests.

At the same time, we are making some other changes:

Due to steadily increasing costs of newsprint and production, it has been very difficult for us to maintain our present low advertising rates, and yet we did not want to increase our rates. We have found a way to hold to our present rates and even offer low rates for space units of 1/5 page and larger, by reducing the depth of our full page 1½ inches. The saving in newsprint enables us to offer lower rates and a more practical size of publication for reader and advertiser.

While we must admit that it is with some reluctance that we say goodbye to the old name, we are, naturally, enthusiastic about the new challenge of SOUTHERN FARM AND HOME.

May we thank you for your past favors of interest and business, and cordially invite your continued participation.

AUBREY WILLIAMS
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Sincerely,

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July 31, 1951

Mr. Nat Welch
1103 Magnolia Curve
Montgomery, Ala.

Dear Nat:

I haven't heard any more about the leaf-let on the Birmingham police matter.

Anything cooking?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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November 21, 1951.

Mr. George S. Mitchell,
SRC 63 Auburn Ave NE.,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Mitchell,

I have your communications of November 14. Somehow it is not very clear to me. I have marked both papers as to the people I know - since I know so few of the names appearing on the papers, I do not feel that I can intelligently make either a comment or a selection.

I am very anxious to serve you in the way that you desire but somehow I am very much at sea as to what help I can render at this point.

Very sincerely,

Ruth C. Robinson

Mrs. E. U. Robinson.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia
November 14, 1951

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE TO MAKE NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dear Mrs. Robinson:

Here is a letter going out to members of the Committee to Nominate Members of the Board of Directors.

Under the existing by-laws of the Council, the Executive Committee is composed of 7 members, in addition to the President and Vice-Presidents and Counsel. The Executive Director and Associate Executive Director are ex officio members of the Committee, but without vote. The Executive Committee is the creature of the Board of Directors, and the 7 members elected to the Executive Committee are, of necessity, members of the Board of Directors.

The present Executive Committee is: Paul D. Williams, President; John H. Wheeler, Vice-President (resigning as Vice-President); Harold L. Trigg, Vice-President; Carter Wesley, Vice-President; Guy B. Johnson, Vice-President; Leonard Haas, Counsel; Charles S. Johnson, Chairman of Executive Committee; Marion Wright; Gordon Hancock; Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton; Paul Christopher; Rufus E. Clement; Msgr. T. J. McNamara.

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Of the existing Executive Committee, 4 elected members will have to be replaced, as their terms of membership on the Board of Directors expire at the end of 1951. They are: Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Msgr. T. J. McNamara, Gordon Hancock, and Paul Christopher. Under the existing by-laws, the first three of these are ineligible for reelection to the Board, having served two terms. Paul Christopher is eligible to be elected to a second term on the Board, and if so elected, he could serve on the Executive Committee. John Wheeler has expressed a wish to resign his office because of inability to give time to it.

Your Committee is free to make nominations and the Board is free to make elections of an entire new slate of members of the Executive Committee, should that be the wish of the Board. Alternatively, your Committee could simply nominate persons to replace those who must necessarily leave the Executive Committee or who are resigning.

If you do the latter, your slate of nominees would read: Charles S. Johnson, Marion A. Wright, Rufus E. Clement, plus 4 nominations to the vacancies.

In making nominations for elected members of the Executive Committee, you would be safe in using either (a) any of the following members of the Board (all being persons whose terms expire later than 1951):

R. R. Wright, Jr.	Clergyman	Little Rock
Herbert Davidson		
Morris Abram		

F. D. Patterson		
Benjamin E. Mays		
Harry V. Richardson		
V. J. O'Connell		
Florence Sytz		
D. Swan Haworth	Clergyman	Vicksburg
Will W. Alexander		
Clyde Milner		
N. C. Newbold	Professor	Raleigh
Howard W. Odum		
R. B. Wellons		
O. D. Duncan		
Charles S. Johnson		
E. W. Palmer		
Virginius Dabney		
Arthur Raper	Government Official	Vienna, Va.
P. B. Young	Editor	Norfolk
Charles Mantinband	Rabbi	Florence, Ala.
Mrs. Warren Zeuch	Church Leader	Vero Beach, Fla.
Rufus E. Clement		
John A. Griffin	Professor	Atlanta
Armand May	Businessman	Atlanta
L. D. Milton	Businessman	Atlanta
Glenn W. Rainey	Professor	Atlanta
Forrester B. Washington	Professor	Atlanta
E. A. McDowell	Clergyman	Louisville
C. H. Parrish	Professor	Louisville
E. A. Penick	Clergyman	Raleigh
Charlotte Hawkins Brown		
Marion A. Wright		
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie	Lawyer	Atlanta
A. T. Butler		Columbia
James L. Coker		
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman	Church Leader	Columbia
Carter Wesley		
Alonzo G. Moron		
Arthur W. Mitchell		

(b) You would be comparatively safe in making selections from any of the names under (II) in the attached memorandum to the other Committee.

Turn now to the problem of nominating officers of the Council.

You are free to bring in a whole new slate if you wish. Whether you make replacements or whether you propose an entire new slate of officers, you are free to choose anybody you want. The officers have not necessarily to be members of the Board.

In summary, we need two things from you: (1) Your nominations for membership on the Executive Committee; (2) Your nominations for officers of the Council.

If you will send your wishes in, the staff will try to get together a composite slate and send that out again for your approval in time for it to be available at the meetings of the Board on December 11 and 12. To meet the time schedule, I should have a reply from you in a few days.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell S.C.

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence.

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November 14, 1951

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LETTER TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE TO MAKE NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The following are the members of the Committee to Make Nominations for Membership on the Board of Directors:

Bob Thompson, Atlanta
Nat Welch, Montgomery
Art Levin, Atlanta
Ocie Lee Smith, Little Rock
Mrs. William Hogue, Houston
Mrs. V. Carter Mason, Norfolk

Of these, we have had opportunity to consult, in person or by mail, all except Mrs. Mason.

Based upon the recommendations and advice of the members of the Committee, the staff of the Council has put together the following lists:

I. In the event that the membership meeting should direct a complete reorganization of the Council, altering it into a self-perpetuating board.

F. D. Patterson	College President	Tuskegee
William Mitch	Labor Leader	Birmingham
Truman Hobbs	Lawyer	Montgomery
Harry Ashmore	Editor	Little Rock
U. S. Bond	Businessman & Planter	Madison, Ark.
Mrs. E. L. Rauschkolb	Church Leader	Little Rock
L. A. Davis	College President	Pine Bluff
Herbert Davidson	Editor	Daytona Beach
L. E. Thomas	Lawyer	Miami
G. D. Rogers, Jr.	Businessman	Tampa
R. P. Daniel	Lawyer	Jacksonville
Arthur J. Moore	Clergyman	Atlanta
Harry V. Richardson	Seminary President	Atlanta
Rufus E. Clement	University President	Atlanta
Morris Abram	Lawyer	Atlanta
Benjamin E. Mays	College President	Atlanta
Richard Rich	Businessman	Atlanta
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton	Social Worker	Atlanta
Josephine Wilkins	Organizational Leader	Atlanta
Rufus B. Atwood	College President	Frankfort
Hugh Brimm	Clergyman	Louisville
A. W. Dent	University President	New Orleans

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V. J. O'Connell	Clergyman	New Orleans
Florence Sytz	Social Worker & Dean	New Orleans
Felton Clark	College President	Baton Rouge
Jacob L. Reddix	College President	Jackson
Alexander Kline	Rabbi	Clarksdale
A. D. Stewart	Businessman	Amory
Howard W. Odum	Professor	Chapel Hill
Clyde Milner	College President	Guilford College
Marion A. Wright	Lawyer	Linville Falls
O. D. Duncan	Professor	Stillwater
A. Maceo Smith	Housing Official	Dallas
Will W. Alexander	Farmer	Chapel Hill
J. M. Dabbs	Farmer	Mayesville, S. C.
James L. Coker	Businessman	Hartsville
Mrs. C. C. Withington	Church Leader	Greenville
Charles S. Johnson	University President	Nashville
E. W. Palmer	Businessman	Kingsport
✓ Mrs. E. U. Robinson	Church Leader	Franklin
Paul Christopher	Labor Leader	Knoxville
✓ Z. A. Looby	Lawyer	Nashville
Carter Wesley	Editor	Houston
Stanley Marcus	Businessman	Houston
W. L. Clayton	Businessman	Houston
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor	Church Leader	Houston
Maury Maverick, Jr.	Lawyer	San Antonio
John G. Pollard	Farmer	Somers
Arthur W. Mitchell	Farmer	Petersburg
Alonzo Morón	College President	Hampton
Virginius Dabney	Editor	Richmond
Gordon Hancock	Clergyman & Professor	Richmond

This is a total of 19 Negroes and 33 whites. By profession, the breakdown is: 4 church leaders, 4 farmers, 8 businessmen, 4 editors, 10 professional men, 6 clergymen, 14 academic persons, and 2 labor leaders.

This is a total of 52 persons. Presumably, a Board of this kind would have as additional full members approximately 24 persons serving ex officio on this Board, by virtue of their positions as top officials of State Divisions or State organizations of the Council.

II. In the event that the membership meeting should wish merely to bring the existing Board up to full strength, it would be in order to make 30 nominations to the 30 vacancies on the Board as at present constituted. If so large a number should be elected, it would be desirable to arrange for staggered terms.

Harry Ashmore
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L. A. Davis
G. D. Rogers, Jr.
R. P. Daniel
Richard Rich
Josephine Wilkins

Hugh Brimm		
V. J. O'Connell		
H. Brent Schaeffer	Clergyman	Jackson
Alexander Kline		
A. D. Stewart		
Mrs. C. C. Withington		
Z. A. Looby		
Morton Tendler	Physician	Memphis
A. Maceo Smith		
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor		
R. O'Hara Lanier	University President	Houston
W. L. Clayton		
E. A. Johnson	State President, NAACP	Natchitoches
Isadore Franzblau	Rabbi	Bristol
A. S. Turnipseed	Clergyman	Montgomery
Mrs. A. A. Hardy	Church Leader	Thomaston, Ga.
Ernest Neal	Professor	Tuskegee
Harold DeWitt	Social Worker	Richmond
Harry W. Roberts	Professor	Petersburg, Va.
Mrs. Henry Havens	Church Leader	Jacksonville
Paul Christopher		
J. M. Dabbs		

III. In the event that the membership meeting directs the collapsing of the present Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee into a single, small Executive Board (17 members has been discussed):

F. D. Patterson		
Harry Ashmore		
Herbert Davidson		
Harry V. Richardson		
Rufus E. Clement		
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton		
Rufus B. Atwood		
Hugh Brimm		
A. W. Dent		
V. J. O'Connell		
Florence Sytz		
Jacob L. Reddix		
Howard W. Odum		
John H. Wheeler	Businessman	Durham
Charlotte Hawkins Brown	College President	Greensboro
J. M. Dabbs		
Carter Wesley		
Gordon Hancock		

IV. In the event that, in addition to a small Executive Board, there should be established a large Advisory Committee:

All of those listed under (I), above, not listed under (III), above.

If you will send back your comments, it should be possible to have another composite list available for such members of the Nominating Committee as are present at the membership meeting December 12.

Use your pencil freely for crossings out or additions, please.

On the advice of those members of the Nominating Committee who could be consulted in person, the above lists have been made up on the supposition that all of the Council's longtime friends will continue to be interested in it, whether they are on the Board or not. With this in mind, many names of persons greatly interested in the Council are not on the lists, and in their stead are names of persons whose knowledge of and sympathy with the work of the Council may be as yet small, but whom it is believed would become earnest and helpful in the Council's work.

Good if we could have your comments by November 25.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence.

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Sept. 24, 1951

Dear Mr. Mitchell -

Thank you for your recent letter. I shall be glad to serve S. R. C. in the capacity designed. Please advise me as to your needs.

Very sincerely,

(Mrs. E. U.) Ruth C. Robinson

November 10, 1950

Mrs. E. V. Robinson
216 North Washington Avenue
Cookeville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Robinson:

I am happy to tell you that at yesterday's meeting you were elected a member of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council. While there were a number of vacancies, only three were filled by elections, as the Board itself contemplates at a later date combining functions with the Executive Committee and reducing itself to a smaller size.

We were all most anxious for you to be related to the Council in this closer way, and do hope that it will be possible for you to accept. I don't know that it involves any formal extra duties, but it will make it possible for us to have the advantage of your interest in the Council's kind of work and your advice.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Dictated 11/9/50

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

November 26, 1951

Mrs. W. T. Mason
909 Maypole Ave.
Norfolk 12, Va.

Dear Mrs. Mason:

Your letter is not too late at all and will help me a lot. Many thanks.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
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Southern Regional Council, inc.
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Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Several trips out of the state, attendance at three conferences in the past month and a host of other activities interfered disasterously in the performance of my responsibility in regards to the nominating committee. I am very, very sorry and really covered with chagrin.

I had some persons to suggest but suppose it is too late to do so. I wondered, too, if I was supposed to speak to them about the possibility of their names being used. It seemed better for the inquiry to come from you so I said nothing. These persons are as follows:

1. Rev. Beverley Tucker White, pastor of St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 1128 Graydon Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia. Rev. White is a fine, scholarly individual, liberal in his viewpoint and public utterances. He is a very good friend of Armistead Boothe of Arlington who tried to introduce a bill to eliminate segregation of public carriers in the Virginia legislature in 1950. He is white and a member of the illustrious Tucker family.

2. Armistead Boothe, Arlington, Virginia, a lawyer and distinguished scholar. Has been active in trying to secure legislation to eliminate segregation on common carriers in Virginia. Was a Rhodes scholar and was active in state affairs under the late Franklin D. Roosevelt.

3. Mrs. Dudley Cooper wife of a very prominent business man in Norfolk. Very active in civic affairs, generous to liberal causes, a member of several Jewish women's groups and the Women's Council For Interracial Cooperation. Lives at North Shore Point, Norfolk.

4. Mrs. Aliene Hicks, Negro, teacher in the local High School, active in civic work. Was the teacher who brought suit for equalization of salaries in Norfolk. Is married, has no children is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Lives at 812 Lexington Street, Norfolk, Virginia.

Perhaps these people can be appointed at some later date as a vacancy arises, provided of course they are willing to serve. I believe they would contribute a great deal to the Southern Regional Council. I have thought of several other persons but for one reason or another eliminated them.

I hope a really effective board is chosen for all the reasons you have mentioned. Would like to attend the annual meeing this year if it comes around the time I am on my way further south.

Kindest regards for your good health and well being,

Sincerely yours,

Vivian C. Mason

Mrs. W.T. Mason

October 15, 1951

Mrs. V. Carter Mason
909 Maypole Ave.
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Mrs. Mason:

I haven't had any letter from you about the nominating committee. I need some more names from your part of the world.

Sincerely,

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
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63 Auburn Avenue,
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Thank you so much for your kind letter received today. It was gracious of Mr. Williams to suggest my name for the nominating committee for members of the Board and the Executive Committee.

It is not always easy to find persons willing to give the time required for such positions but I already have one or two persons in mind whom I think will be an asset to the Council. However I shall await further instructions from you and will do my best to suggest individuals who will give distinction in effort and be of value to your group....a group that is distinguished for the wonderful contributions they have made in human relations.

The material on Negroes in municipal service in the south was a grand piece of reporting and has been very useful to me recently. Your achievements are highly important in this struggle for human rights and I hope the day will come when your marvelous contribution will be nationally and internationally recognized. Now only the warriors who battle with guns are looked up to. Perhaps some day the real peace makers, the real warriors for human rights will come into their own.

With kindest regards

Sincerely yours,
Vivian C. Mason
Mrs. W.T. Mason

Mason

August 22, 1951

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Mr. Hodding Carter
The Delta Democrat-Times
Greenville, Miss.

Dear Mr. Carter:

Sorry we won't have you for the meeting.

Dues are three dollars a year. If you can scratch up six dollars, we can make you paid right up to the mark.

We are cooking up a project to get something done toward equal penalties in the courts. If all works out, I expect to come over to Mississippi within six weeks or so and see if I can get your advice on it. It involves setting up a commission to study the record and make recommendations. Twelve or eighteen members. And I would want your careful thinking as to who should be on the commission.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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HODDING CARTER
EDITOR & PUBLISHER

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Because I have already made a speaking engagement for December 11, I know that it will be impossible for me to be in Atlanta on that date. I am sorry that this conflict arose without my realizing it.

As for the unpaid dues, I am most embarrassed about them and just to show what a poor member I am, how about sending me a memorandum as to the amount that is due?

Sincerely,

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

63 AUBURN AVENUE, NE

ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

November 30, 1951

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Your Executive Committee has met four times since the last meeting of the Board of Directors. The meetings were held, respectively, in December, 1950; March, June, and October, 1951.

As directed by the 1950 membership meeting, the Executive Committee advised the president in the appointment of a Special Policy Committee to review SRC policy and program and make a special report thereon to the 1951 meeting. The Committee so appointed consisted of: Charles S. Johnson, chairman; Marion A. Wright; Harry V. Richardson; Harold L. Trigg; Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton; Howard W. Odum; John A. Griffin; Morris Abram; A. W. Dent; Vincent J. O'Connell. Their next report will be made in due course to you.

On matters of staff, we regretfully accepted, on your behalf, the resignation of Mrs. Norma Huff as secretary-treasurer and approved the appointment of Miss Katherine Stoney as acting secretary-treasurer, pending confirmation by your meeting.

We also gave consent to participation by the Southern Regional Council in the Old-Age Benefit Plan of the new Federal Security Act, at an estimated net additional cost to the SRC for the year 1951 of $352.50.

We arranged that the grant from the Marshall Field Foundation toward publication of New South be used for issues on a monthly basis.

On finances, we used our best efforts toward reducing the Council's indebtedness and meeting its current bills for this year. The secretary-treasurer's report will make plain that the standing indebtedness has been reduced from $7,500 to slightly under $5,500; and on operating account the Council is, of today, virtually without indebtedness.

We have supervised closely the preparation of an appeal to the Ford Foundation, in which work, also, we have had the assistance of the Special Committee on Policy and Program. The Ford appeal and extensive exhibits to accompany it went forward to the Foundation in late May of this year. Various of the Committee and their friends have endeavored to expedite a favorable decision from the Ford Foundation. If the request is granted, it would enable the Council to set going a really active program in each Southern State, with paid personnel in a dozen State offices working through State SRC members toward accomplishment, locally and in detail, of the Council's objective of equal opportunity for all. The State programs would be assisted and coordinated with a small staff in a central office, engaged in research interpretation and publication of a bulletin useful in all the offices and to the members, and generally encouraging and inter-relating the work of the various State movements.

This annual meeting marks the end of the second year in which the Council has carried on without benefit of any substantial lump sum grant, such as the Council had fortunately received for each year from its beginning through 1949. It has been an extremely difficult matter to find replacement for the missing annual backlog grant of roughly $25,000. The gap has been met by reduction two years ago of the Council's rate of expenditure by $12,000 or $15,000; by inducing an increasing number of the Council's members to become sustaining members, at ten dollars a year; by getting additional support from major church bodies; through help obtained in sums of $1,000 or $2,000 from several foundations; and enlarging our support from trade unions.

Your Committee is grateful that, through its own efforts and the work of the staff and through the generosity of many friends, it has been possible to carry forward the Council's work in this way. But we are sensible of the undue devotion of time to fund-raising efforts, and are anxious that means be found to release the full energies of us all to program, and more particularly, for the very great expansion of the Council's work in this present period when informed and temperate leadership can so greatly speed and ease the South's transition to full democracy.

Chairman of the Executive Committee

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
RURAL LIFE COUNCIL

December 1, 1951

Dr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

Thank you for your letter of November 27. I am having a most enriching experience with Mr. Das and Professor and Mrs. Herbert Frankel.

Jones and I are planning to attend the meeting of the Council on December 12. Hope we will have the opportunity to do some informal talking at this meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest

ERNEST E. NEAL
Director

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SRC Board News

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
2825 Lexington Road
Louisville 6 - Kentucky

December 7, 1951

EDWARD A. McDOWELL
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Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I had planned to attend the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council next Tuesday, but a matter of importance concerning Southern Baptist work demands my presence in Nashville on that day. This is in connection with the development of our Negro Seminary at Nashville, and I believe that I can be of more service by going to Nashville than to Atlanta. I am very much interested in enlarging and improving our facilities for the education of Negro ministers. At the present time we are engaged in making a national survey of the Negro Baptist ministry. Dr. Ira Reid of Haverford College has been the Director of this survey and has done a remarkable job. The three Baptist conventions, the National Baptist, Inc. (Negro), the American Baptist (Northern White), and the Southern Baptist, have invested approximately $20,000 in this survey. The report which is being prepared by Dr. Reid will prove to be a most interesting social document. I am quite sure you will be interested in having a copy of this report. We hope that it may be published in book form.

I regret that I shall not be present at the meeting on Tuesday and the meeting of the Council on Wednesday. Please be assured of my continuing interest in the work of the Council, and if you have the opportunity express my regret at not being present to the members of the Board of Directors.

Very sincerely yours,

Edward A. McDowell

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November 16, 1950

Rev. E. A. McDowell
2825 Lexington Road
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Mr. McDowell:

You were most generous in attending our board meeting, and also wishing to contribute your expense for the trip. We are extremely grateful for your kindness.

Today, being pay day, our treasury is some what low, but we should be able to get a check to you within the next week or so.

Please accept our thanks and kindest regards.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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Edward H. Weiler--Secretary-Treasurer Kentucky Federation of Labor, AF of L, and member of Advisory Directors of the Kentucky Division.

Armistead Boothe, Arlington, Va.

Mrs. Aliene Hicks--Negro, teacher in Norfolk High School, warmly recommended by Mrs. W. T. Mason. Home address--812 Lexington St., Norfolk.

Mrs. Dudley Cooper--Wife of a very prominent business man in Norfolk. Very active in civic affairs, generous to liberal causes, a member of several Jewish women's groups and the Women's Council for Interracial Cooperation. Lives at North Shore Point, Norfolk.

Accept John Wheeler's resig as V.P.

Name & State	N	W	Clergy	Professional	Editor	Businessman	Academic	Labor	Farmer	Church Leader
Alabama										
F. D. Patterson	X						X			
William Mitch		X						X		
Truman Hobbs		X		X						
(Vacancy for another Negro, possibly Shores, colored and professional.)										
Arkansas										
Harry Ashmore		X			X					
U. S. Bond	X								X	
Mrs. E. L. Rauschkolb		X								X
L. A. Davis	X						X			
Florida										
Herbert Davidson		X			X					
L. E. Thomas	X				X	(GSM must obtain approval of Florida Division.)				
G. D. Rogers, Jr.	X					X				
R. P. Daniel		X		X						
Georgia										
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51 Arthur J. Moore		X	X							
Harry V. Richardson	X		X							
Rufus E. Clement	X						X			
~~BxExMays~~										
Benjamin E. Mays	X						X			
Richard Rich		X				X				
51 Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton	X			X						
~~Kentucky~~										
50 Joe Hawkins		X		X						
Morris Abram		X		X						
Kentucky										
Rufus B. Atwood	X						X			
Hugh Brinn		X	X							
Louisiana										
51 A. W. Dent	X						X			
V. J. O'Connell		X	X							
Miss Florence Sytz		X					X			
Felton ~~Baker~~ Clark	X						X			

Nov. 1951

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Jacob L. Reddix	X						X			
Alexander Kline		X	X							
A. D. Stewart		X				X				
North Carolina										
51 John H. Wheeler	X					X				
Charlotte Hawkins Brown	X						X			
Howard Odum		X					X			
Clyde Milner		X					X			
Marion A. Wright		X		X					X	
Will W. Alexander		X							X	
South Carolina										
2nd J. M. Dabbs		X							X	
James L. Coker		X				X				
Mrs. C. C. Withington		X								X
(Vacancies for two Negroes.)										
Tennessee										
Charles S. Johnson	X						X			
E. W. Palmer		X				X				
Mrs. E. U. Robinson		X								X
2nd Paul Christopher		X						X		
Z. A. Looby	X			X						
Texas										
Carter Wesley	X				X					
A. Maceo Smith	X				X					
Stanley Marcus		X				X				
W. L. Clayton		X				X				
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Maury Maverick, Jr.		X		X						
Virginia										
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Arthur W. Mitchell	X								X	
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Virginius Dabney		X			X					
Gordon Hancock	X		X				X			
Oklahoma										
O. D. Duncan		xX					X			

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LETTER TO ATLANTA COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Sept. 6, 1951

I want to lay out for you as well as I can before you meet the problems of this year's nominating committees. You remember you are to meet up here Monday afternoon, September 17, at 3:30, to try to puzzle it out.

The by-laws of the Council provide for a Board of not to exceed 72 elected members. In addition, the Board contains the Council's officers and the heads of our State Divisions, who are on the Board ex-officio. The elected members of the Board are put on it for four-year terms (the terms being variously staggered by classes).

At the annual meeting in 1950, although there were fourteen or fifteen vacancies to fill, the members made only two or three elections to the Board (and those to fill vacancies created by resignation or death), because there was a good deal of feeling that the governing body of the Council should be reduced in size. With some, the proposal was that we ultimately collapse the functions of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, having simply an Executive Board of perhaps seventeen members. And if that were in the wind, why keep on adding to the Board?

So, in 1950, most of the vacancies were left.

Now here comes another complication. If the Council were to be substantially aided by the foundation it has sought help from, it would probably be well to reorganize the whole Council. Such a reorganization would hand the membership records over to the several separate State Divisions. We have kept the records here because this was the only spot that had any staff, and therefore the only place that could bill and post. But under a new dispensation, each State Division would have a staff and could keep its own records and build its own membership (we hope, rapidly). Then the Southern Regional Council would become a federation of these vigorous State organizations. The Council would help the States in picking staff and would advise the States in their programs and would tie their programs together and would get out a magazine and would direct the work of a small staff of people to do research interpretation. Most members whom we have consulted have thought that, under those circumstances, it would be well to have the Council itself become not a Southwide membership organization (the members would have moved into their own State organizations), but a self-perpetuating Board, representing the South at large and representing the State Divisions. Perhaps two-thirds of the members of the New Board would be representatives generally and one-third would be on it ex-officio as officers of State organizations. We suppose there would be twelve State organizations. We now have eleven, one way or another. There probably ought to be two ex-officio persons from each State organization, in order fairly to represent the two leading racial groups. Which gives us 22 right there. Forty-four more, chosen generally, would make a Board of Directors of 66 people. It might be well to push it up to 72, just to have leeway.

Such a Board would presumably work through an Executive Committee of twelve or fifteen members, meeting quarterly.

Now the problem is to offer to the forthcoming annual meeting, December 12, 1951, lists of nominees, which lists would fit either of two situations: Situation (a), with the Council going along much as it is, or Situation (b), with the Council much refreshed in funds. I think there is a way to do it.

Under Situation (a), we could follow the wishes expressed by a good many members last year and transfer the present powers of the Board of Directors to a seventeen-man Executive Board. That Executive Board could then be assisted by an Advisory Committee of about seventy members.

Under Situation (b), the seventy-odd persons nominated for membership on an Advisory Committee could be transformed into the Council itself. They would then presumably choose an Executive Board.

So that either situation could be met if we had from the two nominating committees both (1) nominations to a small Executive Board, and (2) fifty-odd nominations to a 72-man Advisory Committee.

Of course, there is still another possibility (which fits in all right with the above), under which the membership meeting in December of this year would say, "Go on quite as you are." Hereupon, your nominations to an Advisory Committee would become instead nominations to the regular today-existing Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council.

Now you will see why we have asked the Atlanta members to come to a small meeting to try to get this all straight.

We have all the documents and full lists of vacancies from the Board and of many eligibles. We thought that after the Atlanta members had deliberated, we would put all this before the other members of the nominating committees, advantaged by your here-in-Atlanta conclusions and recommendations.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Nominating committees for SRC, 1951

Committee to nominate members of the Board of Directors

Chairman—Bob Thompson, Atlanta
Nat Welch, Montgomery
Art Levin, Atlanta
Ocie Lee Smith, Little Rock
Mrs. William Hogue, Houston
Mrs. V. Carter Mason, Norfolk

Committee to nominate members of the Executive Committee

Chairman—Glenn Rainey, Atlanta
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie, Atlanta
Morris Abram, Atlanta
A. W. Dent, New Orleans
Harry Richardson, Atlanta
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Mr. John H. Wheeler
Mechanics & Farmers Bank
Durham, N. C.

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

At the meeting on December 12 your resignation as vice-president was most regretfully accepted. I am sure the nominating committee would have wanted to get you on to the Board in order to be sure of your continued participation, but, unfortunately, under the by-laws we couldn't reelect to the Board any of the many of our best friends who were completing this year their second four-year term.

The Board made wide changes in the whole setup of officers. Paul Williams had served six years as President and wanted to take a rest from the job. So they put in Marion Wright. As vice-presidents they elected Carter Wesley and put in Alfred Mynders, editor of the Chattanooga Times, Gordon Hancock, and Dr. Dent of Dillard.

We still haven't heard from the Ford Foundation, but we know that they are considering us seriously, and there is some grounds for hoping that the decision will be favorable.

I have charged Guy Johnson to get the North Carolina Division going again. Do please help. If the Ford money came through, we would be in a position to help the North Carolina Division quite substantially with money for full-time paid personnel.

I have many things I want to consult you about and will try to find you in when, sometime within the next six weeks, I go to New York and therefore through Durham.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

J. H. WHEELER
VICE PRESIDENT-CASHIER

December 30, 1947

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Southern Regional Council

Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

This will acknowledge your letter of December 21st advising of my re-election to the Board of Directors of the Council.

I appreciate greatly this expression of the desire of the Council to have me continue my relationship with it as a director and shall try to make some definite contribution to its successful operation.

Very truly yours,

J. H. Wheeler

JHW/vr

December 19, 1947

Mr. John H. Wheeler
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

We are indeed glad to advise you of your unanimous re-election as member of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council at the annual membership meeting on November 12.

The year, 1948, holds much promise and we are looking forward to it with confidence strengthemmd, as we feel reason to be, by the ability and excellence of individuals as well as collective membership of our Board.

With every good wish for the holidays and for the coming year, I am

Most sincerely,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

J. H. Wheeler
Cashier

February 26, 1944

Mr. Guy B. Johnson, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
710 Standard Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Johnson:

This will acknowledge your letter of February 23rd advising that the Southern Regional Council wishes to enroll me as one of its charter members and that I have also been elected to the Board of Directors of the Council.

Because of my deep concern as to the course which our economic and social development will take in the Southern States, and after discussing the matter with several of my associates, I wish to advise that I shall be happy to accept a charter membership in the Council and membership on its first Board of Directors as outlined in your letter.

It is my sincere hope that many of the problems with which the Council has been set up to concern itself shall eventually be solved through efforts of this type.

You may be assured at all times of my desire to be of the maximum possible assistance to you and those with whom you are associated.

Sincerely yours,

John H. Wheeler

J. H. Wheeler

JHW/r

accepted

February 23, 1944

Mr. John H. Wheeler
North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co.
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

The charter member meeting of the Southern Regional Council, which was held in Atlanta February 17, voted to extend the privilege of charter membership to certain additional persons. Your name was among those who are to be enrolled as charter members upon their acceptance of election. You were also elected to the first Board of Directors of the Council.

As you may know, the Southern Regional Council was chartered by the State of Georgia on January 6, 1944. Its purpose, as stated in the charter is "the improvement of economic, civic, and racial conditions in the South, in the endeavor to promote a greater unity in the South in all efforts toward regional and racial development; to attain through research and action programs the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the region; to reduce race tension, the basis of racial tension, racial misunderstanding, and racial distrust; to develop and integrate leadership in the South on new levels of regional development and fellowship; and to cooperate with local, state, and regional agencies on all levels in the attainment of the desired objectives."

Our by-laws provide for an annual meeting of members on the second Wednesday in October, followed immediately by a meeting of the Board of Directors. Additional meetings of the Board may be called from time to time. The Council will bear the expenses of travel of Board members.

Will you please let us know as soon as possible whether you accept election to charter membership and to the Board of Directors? We sincerely hope that you will accept election and will give the Council your wholehearted support. The need for intelligent thinking and constructive social action in the South is greater today than ever before, and the Council can do much to fill this need if the white and Negro leadership of the South will combine their efforts.

Cordially yours,

GUY B. JOHNSON
Executive Director

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Chambers of
J. Waties Waring
District Judge

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CHARLESTON, S. C.

December 17, 1951

Marion A. Wright, Esq.
"Topknot"
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wright:

I have recently read of the meeting of the Southern Regional Council at which you were elected President. I also read the very fine declaration of principles adopted by the Council. This, together with your election and the apparent acceptance and endorsement by the Council of your fine leadership, has convinced me that your organization has now taken the right stand. As you know, I was formerly critical of the organization as being timid and permeated with gradualism. I still feel that the letter to the three Governors showed traces of that. However, I am convinced that the braver members, led by you in particular, have now taken control and that the organization is on the right path and doing fine and militant work.

Under these circumstances, I should like to be enrolled in your ranks and would request that you consider this as an application for membership for Mrs. Waring and myself. If and when admitted, please have the proper officials send me a bill for dues.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

J. Waties Waring
United States District Judge

P. S. In this mornings mail, I received printed copies of your address, "Making Democracy Work in South Carolina". Thank you for sending me these extra copies and I again congratulate and thank you for the splendid pronouncement.

SRC Board of Directors Membership -

DUPLICATE March 31, 1949

Honorable J. Waties Waring
United States District Court
Charleston, South Carolina

My dear Judge Waring:

The Council will quite understand the considerations which brought about your kind letter of March 26. We do wish we could have you as a Board member, but see that in your position it might have undesirable complications.

In any case, I should like to state again my own and the Council's admiration of the courage, logic, and justice of your decisions.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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JUDGE'S CHAMBERS
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CHARLESTON, S. C.

J. WATIES WARING
DISTRICT JUDGE

New York City
March 26th - 1949

Dear Mr. McCall:

Your letter of the 19th was forwarded to me here. Well I have been holding a Term of Court.

I am deeply appreciative of the suggestion that I become a Member of the Board of the Southern Regional Council. I believe this work is most worthy a great honor and I am immensely interested in the good work you are performing.

However because of my judicial position I still feel that I should refrain from taking an

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I after just in your
projects. It is ex-
tremely probable that
many more cases in
volving alleged racial
prejudice will come
before me. If such
be thought that my
affiliations with your
Council should disqualify me,
so with deep regret
I must decline. Please
express to your fellow
members how I feel
about this.

again thanking you

I am

Sincerely

L. Waldstein

March 19, 1949

Judge J. Waties Waring
Judge's Chambers
United States District Court
Charleston (a), South Carolina

Dear Judge Waring:

At the last membership meeting of the Southern Regional Council, invitation was extended to you to become a member of the Board of Directors of the Council. Others so invited and who have accepted are:

Mr. E. W. Palmer, President
Kingsport Press
Kingsport, Tennessee

Pres. Harry V. Richardson
Gammon Theological Seminary
Atlanta, Georgia

Bishop R. R. Wright, Jr.
A.M.E. Church
Morris Brown College
Atlanta, Georgia

Pres. Clyde Milner
Guilford College
North Carolina

The whole membership of the Board is set out in the enclosed leaflet.

Our Council would feel itself greatly honored if you found it possible to accept.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t

December 18, 1951

Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Atlanta Urban League
239 Auburn Ave., NE
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Grace:

My thanks for your faithful and extra helpful eight years on the Council's Board. I do wish the by-laws would let us put you smack back on.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

December 18, 1951

Mr. Charles Gillman
95 Merritts Ave., NE
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Charlie:

I have the sad duty of informing you that your service on the Southern Regional Council's Board has now, for the time being, expired. The by-laws provide for four-year terms of office, with a second four-year term where so elected, but they don't permit us to reelect until somebody has been off the Board for a while. The eight-year axe fell a few days ago.

You have been a faithful and helpful member of the Board, and we are all grateful to you.

Here is a copy of the statement the Council adopted at the annual meeting the other day.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Encl.

December 3, 1947

Mr. Charles Gillman
75 Ivy Street N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Gillman:

It is with much pleasure that I perform my task of announcing to you your unanimous reelection as member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council by that body at its meeting on November 12th.

This recognition of the high service which you have so earnestly and unselfishly performed in behalf of the Council is especially pleasing to staff members who have had the privilege of working with you and so know at first hand the fine talents which you have brought to your task.

With every good wish for the holidays, and for the year that follows, I am

Most sincerely,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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Bd memb.

December 20, 1951

Mrs. W. H. Ratliff
Sherard, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Ratliff:

I am sorry that in the revolvings of terms of office of members of the Board of Directors of the Council, your term comes to an end this year. The membership meeting the other day found itself losing as Board members twelve or fifteen of our most trusted persons. They elected replacements, but most of them are as yet untried.

We are all grateful for your years of devoted interest to the Council. I recall with much appreciation my visits with you in Mississippi and elsewhere. I wish to goodness somebody would people the whole South with more Mrs. Ratliffs.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

ELECTION ---- TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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December 2, 1947

Mrs. W. H. Ratliff
Sherard, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Ratliff:

This is to advise you that by unanimous vote of the membership at the annual meeting of November 12, you were elected to the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council for a full four-year term. This term will expire in 1951 at the time of tha annual meeting which will fall on the second Wednesday in November of that year.

We are very happy to welcome you to membership on the Board and shall look forward to seeing you at its meetings. There are two such meetings each year, one being on the day preceding the Annual membership meeting, the other on the same day as, and immediately following, the membership meeting. It has been customary for the Council to issue expense blanks on such occasions and to pay for travel and maintenance of Board members who attend these meetings.

For your further information, I am enclosing a copy of the by-laws with paragraphs concerning the Board especially marked. Please do not hesitate to write us if we can be of service.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

Enclosure

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December 21, 1951

Rev. L. J. Twomey, S. J.
Institute of Industrial Relations
Loyola University
New Orleans 18, La.

Dear Father Twomey:

We deeply appreciate your letter of December 18. It was a great pleasure to us all to have you at the meetings, and you helped the whole show by coming.

The leaflet of the statement has gone to the printer, and we will be mailing you two thousand by about January 2. Our cordial thanks for the $25 received for it.

Do send in your expense account. We expect it and can pay it.

I mailed to you the other day the six hundred copies of Vance's pamphlet. I think Katherine Stoney wrote you that we have others going similarly.

My warmest wishes to you and to the Louisiana Division.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS
LOYOLA UNIVERSITY
NEW ORLEANS 18, LOUISIANA

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Mr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

Many thanks for your note of December 14th.

I want you to know that I found our recent meeting of the S.R.C. one of the most inspiring I have ever attended. I am sure that when and if we are able to get the Ford appropriation, the S.R.C. will become one of the most powerful organizations for good in the South. You may be sure, as I have told you before, I stand ready to cooperate to the full extent of my ability with the aims and objectives of our Council.

I am enclosing the $25.00, which I pledged toward making possible the printing of the statement of objectives. I know I can make good use of the 1000 copies I have requested.

I was hoping to waive my claim for expenses on my trip to and from Atlanta for the S.R.C. meeting. But I see now that I cannot do so. Accordingly within the next several days I will have to submit to your office my expense account.

God bless you always, George. A Holy Christmas and a Blessed New Year is my prayerful wish for you and yours.

Kindly give my best regards to Mrs. Tilly, Miss Stoney and Harold Fleming.

Sincerely as always,

L. J. Twomey, S.J.

L. J. Twomey, S.J.
Director

LJT/grc

December 14, 1951

Rev. L. J. Twomey, S. J.
Loyola University
New Orleans, La.

Dear Father Twomey:

Dr. Dent said you would be glad to have a copy of the Ford request. I send it separately.

You were a great help at the meetings, and we all appreciated having you.

We are remembering your kind willingness to be responsible for $25 worth of copies of the statement made into a printed leaflet. We hope that will be one thousand, anyway.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Twomey

October 10, 1951

Rev. L. J. Twomey
Loyola University
New Orleans 15, La.

Dear Father Twomey:

I had a mighty nice letter, unsolicited, from Father Gremillion in Shreveport. He spoke in praise of the survey proceeding there and recalled that there was some possibility of my coming over later on in connection with that. Thus far, the survey has been carefully local, but it now succeeds, and I gather that people are a bit bolder.

Father Gremillion has recruited us a handful of new members and will get some more. He thought perhaps the time was coming when a chapter of the Council could be set up in Shreveport.

He tells me that he has seen Father Vincent O'Connell several times there in Shreveport and that Phil Ogilvie had paid him a visit--Father Maurice Shean also.

Father Gremillion was expecting to be in Atlanta before so long and said he would come to see us.

I thought all this would be of interest to you as indicating that things may be well along toward a chapter in Shreveport.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Bd member

December 26, 1951

Rabbi Alexander Kline
Clarksdale, Miss.

Dear Rabbi Kline:

I don't know how much you know about our Southern Regional Council, but in any case, its annual membership meeting on December 13 gave itself the honor of electing you to the Board of Directors.

I send you separately some leaflets and recent issues of New South to explain more fully about the Council. There is also a quite important policy statement adopted by the Council at this year's meetings.

Membership on the Board involves coming once a year to a Board meeting, expenses for which we have thus far been able to meet. It involves also modest effort to increase the Council's membership and activity in your territory.

We have many strong friends in Mississippi already, and they will welcome you to the Council.

The other elections this year were as follows:

John Page Williams	Schoolmaster	Richmond
x Harry Ashmore	Editor	Little Rock
Mrs. E. J. Rauschkolb	Church Leader	Little Rock
L. E. Thomas	Lawyer	Miami
Ben J. Massell	Businessman	Atlanta
Josephine Wilkins	Organizational Leader	Atlanta
A. Maceo Smith	Housing Official	Dallas
Paul Christopher	Labor Leader	Knoxville
Ed H. Weyler	Labor Leader	Louisville
Paul Williams	Businessman	Richmond
Guy Johnson	Professor	Chapel Hill
Harold Trigg	College President	Raleigh
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor	Church Leader	Houston

The term on the Board to which you were elected is a four-year term ending in 1955.

I do most cordially hope that you can accept membership on the Board.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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December 26, 1951

Mr. Milton Kulick
American Jewish Committee
Healey Bldg.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Milton:

Our membership meeting on December 13 elected Ben J. Massell to membership on the Board of Directors, in a three-year term ending in 1954.

I have written to most of the other persons so elected to ask them to serve, but it seemed to me wisest in this instance to ask you to talk to Mr. Massell first.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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December 19, 1952

Mr. & Mrs. Herbert M. Davidson
News-Journal
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear The Davidsons:

I have agreed to come to Daytona Beach Friday, January 23, to make my speech to the Pilot Club for Mrs. Colena Wilhoit, P. O. Box 1071.

I look forward to it, especially, as giving me a chance to see you.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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December 28, 1951

Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Daytona Beach News-Journal
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. Davidson:

Still no news as yet from the Ford people. But I did not really expect that their December 13 meeting would decide on us. I don't know when they will, but some of my Quaker friends seem to be able to gather the news, and I will be seeing them in mid-January.

I do hope Florida can find the people who are so free with dynamite. Crawford Solomon called us yesterday and said he would be in touch with you for knowledge about the Titusville situation.

The statement ended with good, wide coverage. Here is a memorandum on it to the Executive Committee. Covering the annual meeting is always a perplexity to us, and we will be glad to have light on the best way to do it.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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December 26, 1951

Mr. Herbert Davidson
Daytona Beach News-Journal
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. Davidson:

I remember you asked to be enlightened as to just where you stood in terms as a Board member.

You were elected at the annual meeting in 1948 to a four-year term ending in 1952. Under the by-laws, Board members are eligible to serve two consecutive terms, and not thereafter until they have been off the Board for a period.

I will hope that long before the end of 1952 we will know our fate, but I am sure that we get your advice steadily for a good while to come.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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DAYTONA BEACH MORNING JOURNAL
The Sunday News-Journal

OFFICE OF THE EDITOR DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave. N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Just a note to tell you again how much we enjoyed meeting your family and the evening we spent at your home. Also to remark once more upon the extent to which the Regional Council meetings revive our faith in humanity. We don't quite share Paul Williams' enthusiasm for eagles, which are pretty predatory, but we do like human beings, especially some. Liliane says she will write Harold soon, giving some of her views about publicity.

Season's greetings,

As ever,

Herbert M. Davidson

Editor

Herbert M. Davidson/eb

P.S. Having heard nothing we assume the Ford Foundation thing fell through or at least failed to get priority. Anxious to hear.

correspondence — SRC Board

5316 Stonewall Rd.
Little Rock Arkansas
January 4, 1952.

Mr. George Mitchell, Executive Secy.
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

It is impossible for me to serve on the Board of the Southern Regional Council, as I am engaged in many activities at the present time.

Thank you for asking me to serve, I am sure the work is most interesting.

Sincerely,
(Mrs. E. J.) Eleanor Rauschholb

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December 28, 1951

Mrs. E. J. Rauschkolb
5316 Stonewall Rd.
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Mrs. Rauschkolb:

The annual membership meeting of the Southern Regional Council on December 13 elected you to the Board of Directors of the Council. This is to ask you to serve.

They put you into a four-year term ending in 1955. Under the by-laws Board members are eligible to serve two consecutive terms.

I am sure you will know through friends in Little Rock and elsewhere of what the Council is and does. I send you separately a simple leaflet and recent copies of our magazine New South. There is also a copy of a policy statement made by the Board and the membership at the meetings this year.

We want to have additional strength in your area. I do hope it will be possible for you to accept the election and come on to the Board. It would involve primarily your planning to come once a year, at the Council's expense, to a meeting of the Board, and your friendly advice to our membership in Arkansas in getting the program more fully under way in your territory.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Saint Augustine's College
Raleigh, North Carolina

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April 29, 1952

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

I am very happ y to know that the National Council came across with the contribution of a thousand dollars. They must have been thoroughly convinced that you needed it in view of the fact that this is the end of the Triennial and money is scarce.

I trust that all goes well with you and the Staff and look forward to seeing you personally.

With every good wish, I am

Yours very sincerely,

Harold L. Trigg
President

HLT:mbw

December 18, 1951

Dr. Harold Trigg
St. Augustine's College
Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Harold:

On behalf of the Honorable SRC I thank you for your faithful years as vice-president and, therefore, as a member of the Executive Committee, let alone those best of our years when you were associate executive director.

Welcome back, anyway, to the Board. That ought to fetch you to us once a year, anyway, and the Lord willing, I will be much oftener than that on your campus.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Saint Augustine's College
Raleigh, North Carolina

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October 1, 1951

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

I thank you for your letter of September 28, and wish to assure you that I will be on the alert at the Synod which meets in Birmingham October 23 and 24 and will do every thing possible to advance the cause of SRC.

I shall also talk to Bishop Penick about this matter.

Looking forward to seeing you in December, I am

Yours very sincerely,

Harold L. Trigg
President

HLT:mbw

Trigg

September 19, 1951

Mr. Harold Trigg
St. Augustine's College
Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Harold:

We have done better on money in the last few weeks.

The Quakers found us $5,000 from somebody else. They've sent two, and three more is coming. Some of Paul Williams's friends have chipped in generously. The Steel Workers sent a thousand. With these contributions and what else we can reasonably expect, we ought to get through this calendar year clear of all debts except Byrd and the life insurance loans, and we may chip down those some.

This being the case, I think it wise not to press the North Carolina Division to make a donation to the Council. If we get the Ford money, then the little nest egg that North Carolina has would be useful. And in any case, I don't want, unless in extremis, to risk the disesteem of a good many North Carolina people who would almost certainly be dubious of the rightness of sending some back.

So so far as we are concerned, we cease to beg you. And I really think it best for North Carolina to hold on to what it has.

The first thing to put energy on is getting that Division going.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

P. S. You know that I am, none the less, deeply grateful for your own willingness and that of others to push on this.

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cc: Dr. Guy Johnson

August 15, 1951

Mr. Harold Trigg
St. Augustine's College
Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Harold:

Many thanks for your letter of August 11.

We will be on the lookout for your business manager's order for the 200 copies of the manual. We praise St. Augustine's for using it in this way.

E. C. T. C. lately got some, and two or three other colleges evidently used it for text material.

Cordially,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Saint Augustine's College
Raleigh, North Carolina

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

August 11, 1951

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

I thank you for your letter of July 27, 1951, and am happy to know that you had reasonably good fortune in your recent trip.

I am very anxious that North Carolina's assistance go to you at once and I am sure that Dr. Johnson feels the same way about it.

We will need about 200 copies of Your Community Looks at Itself. I shall have our Business Manager order them. I wish more colleges would see fit to use this manual as a basis for courses in community study. We plan to do some special work in this field this year and I am hoping that it will focus attention on the value of this manual.

With kindest good wishes, I remain

Yours very faithfully,

Harold L. Trigg
President

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SAINT AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE
RALEIGH, N. C.

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

December 8, 1947

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Southern Regional Council

Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I am grateful for your letter of December 3 notifying me of the honor that is mine in being elected Vice-President of the Southern Regional Council on November 12, 1947.

The months that I spent on the staff of the Council were filled with happiness and inspiration. People in and about North Carolina frequently call on me to do things that I might have done when I was in Atlanta. They feel that I am still on the regular staff of SRC.

The News and Observer for Sunday, December 7, carried a long article concerning the work of the Council. I hope that somebody in the Office found it.

I am also grateful for the check for travel reimbursement in the amount of $51.50, which was enclosed in your letter.

With kindest good wishes for yourself and all the staff, I remain

Yours very sincerely,

Harold L. Trigg
PRESIDENT

HLT:jc

December 3, 1947

Dr. Harold L. Trigg, President
St. Augustine's College
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Trigg:

It is with special pleasure that I perform my task of formally announcing your unanimous election as Vice-President of the Southern Regional Council by the membership body at its annual meeting on November 12th.

This recognition of the fine contribution which you have made to the Council is most gratifying to all of us here, and the knowledge that we shall continue to benefit from your wisdom, experience, and good counsel a matter for much self-congratulation.

With regards and kindest good wishes from the entire Staff, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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June 17, 1953

Mrs. J. N. Rayzor
3207 Groveland Lane
Houston 19, Texas

Dear Mrs. Rayzor:

We sincerely want you on our Board, and value you the more for your conscientious scruples on your problems of getting to Board meetings. We have some number of Board members who don't come to meetings and don't have scruples! So I put you down as a full and proper Board member, here and now.

Yes, do please go and talk to Major Parten. If you need any more briefing about the Council before you go, Mrs. Crate or Mrs. Hogue would help shape the bolstering arguments. But I suspect that mostly what is needed is simply conversation with him about these problems in the South and evidence of your faith in the worthwhileness of the Council's effort from within. Let me know how you come out, please.

Warmly,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL — January 23, 1951

Mr. Morris Abram	Connally Building	Atlanta, Ga.
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council, Inc.

FROM: George S. Mitchell

Your Executive Director has spent some time in reviewing the by-laws, having in mind the possibility of making organizational changes. It will be recalled that the last two meetings of the Executive Committee have requested that this matter be explored.

If it is desired to go forward with this proposal, a possible plan is outlined below.

Cease to have a Board of Directors.

Cease to have an Executive Committee.

Substitute for both a single Executive Board.

Members of the Executive Board might be the President and the four Vice Presidents of the Council, ex officio, with voice and vote, plus fourteen members elected by the annual membership meeting. The Executive Director and Associate Executive Director should be expected to attend meetings of the Executive Board and should have voice but not vote, and should not count toward a quorum.

It would be well to provide for automatic replacement for members of the Executive Board. A suggested method would be to elect two in the first instance to a one-year term, four to a two-year term, four to a three-year term, and four to a four-year term. That gives the fourteen elected members, staggered, plus the officers, who are also annually elected by the membership.

Such an Executive Board should meet quarterly.

Quorum for the Executive Board might be fixed at either nine or seven.

The estimated expense on an annual basis of travel (for a quorum of nine) would be $1,080, which is approximately the annual cost of travel to the single annual meeting of the Board of Direc-

tors. Thus the saving effected would be the cost of three meetings of the present Executive Committee, which may be figured at $500 or $600.

So far as I can see, by-laws setting up this structure would be perfectly compatible with the charter of the corporation. Under the charter a majority of members of Southern Regional Council, Inc., may amend its by-laws and, indeed, its charter, either in form or in substance.

In my judgment, the Council, if it adopted such a plan, should provide additionally for a large advisory body. We have many interests which have customarily been represented. Potential contributors to the council scan very closely the long list of members of the Board of Directors and are the more generously inclined when they recognize names of persons prominent in their own church or profession or other interest group.

I would suppose that an Advisory Committee of about fifty would do that job. It should be convened from time to time upon call of the President.

Suggested amendments of the by-laws, being amendments which would accomplish these changes, are submitted herewith.

Present By-Laws

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Election and Powers. The business and property of the corporation, except as otherwise provided by statute, by the charter, or by these by-laws, shall be conducted and managed by its Board of Directors, all members of which shall be actually residing within the Council area, whose actions shall be subject to revision and alteration at the next meeting of the members, provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. The President, the Vice Presidents, the Executive Director, and the Associate Executive Director shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Directors. Heads of State Divisions of the Southern Regional Council, and chairmen of affiliated interracial committees and/or state-wide interracial committees working closely with the Council, shall be ex-officio members of the

Proposed New By-Laws

ARTICLE IV. EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. Election and Powers. The business and property of the corporation, except as otherwise provided by statute, by the charter, or by these by-laws, shall be conducted and managed by its Executive Board, all members of which shall be actually residing within the Council area, whose actions shall be subject to revision and alteration at the next meeting of the members, provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. The President and the Vice Presidents shall be ex-officio members of the Executive Board, and the Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director shall not be members, though, unless the Executive Board at any meeting rules otherwise, they shall be present at meetings with the right to speak. All other members shall be elected at the membership meeting adopting

Board of Directors. All other members of the Board of Directors shall be elected by the members at their annual meeting. Directors who are elected at the first meeting of members after incorporation and such directors as may be added by the Board at its first meeting shall be divided by lot in such a way that the terms of one-fourth shall expire at the second annual meeting of the Board of Directors, October, 1945, one-fourth at the third annual meeting, one-fourth at the fourth annual meeting, and the remainder at the fifth annual meeting. Each director elected subsequently, except such direcotrs as are elected by the Board to fill unexpired terms, shall hold office for four years, and until his successor shall have been duly chosen and qualified, or until he shall have resigned, or shall have been removed in the manner provided in Section 9 of this Article IV. No elected director shall serve more than two consecutive terms of four years each. The number of the first Board of Directors shall not exceed forty (40), exclusive of ex-officio members, but the number of directors may be increased at the first meeting of the Board or at any subsequent time by the vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors as then constituted to not exceeding seventy two (72) exclusive of ex-officio members, and the vacancies thus created shall be filled by the Board of Directors in the manner provided in Section 8 of this Article IV. The Board of Directors shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions.

Section 2. Regular Meetings. The Board of Directors shall meet immediately prior to each meeting of the members of the corporation and again following such meeting of the corporation, at such time and place as may be designated by the President.

these by-laws. Of the fourteen members other than officers, two shall be chosen for a term of one year, four for a term of two years, four for a term of three years, and four for a term of four years. All replacements shall be for four-year terms. No member shall serve more than eight years consecutively. The Executive Board shall keep full and fair account of its transactions.

Section 2. Regular Meetings. The Executive Board shall meet quarterly at such dates as it may fix.

Section 3. Additional Regular Meetings. In addition to the first regular meeting, regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on such dates as may be fixed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors.

Omitted

Section 4. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held whenever called by the President or as may be provided by the Board of Directors.

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Section 5. Place of Meetings Subject to the provision of Section 2 of this Article IV, the Board of Directors shall hold its regular and special meetings at such place or places within or without the State of Georgia as it may from time to time determine. In the absence of any such determination, such regular and special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the main office of the corporation in Atlanta.

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Section 6. Notice of Meetings. Notice of the place, day, and hour of every regular and special meeting shall be given to each director not less than ten (10) days before the meeting, by delivering the same to him personally, or sending the same to him by telegraph or telephone or by leaving the same at his residence or usual place of business, or, in the alternative, upon three days' notice, or by mail postage prepaid, addressed to him at his last known post office address, according to the records of the corporation. It shall not be requisite to the validity of any meeting of the Board of Directors that notice thereof shall have been given to any director who is present thereat, or if absent waives notice thereof in writing filed with the records of the meeting either before or after the holding thereof. No notice of any adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors need be given.

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Section 7. Quorum. Fifteen members of the Board of Directors shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at every meeting of the Board of Directors; but if at any meeting there be less than a quorum present, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, but not for a period of over fifteen (15) days at any one time, without notice other than by announcement at the meeting until a quorum shall attend. At any such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally notified.

Section 8. Vacancies. In case of any vacancy in the Board of Directors, through death, resignation, or any cause other than removal by the members, the remaining directors may elect a successor to hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of the director whose place shall be vacant and until his successor shall have been duly chosen and qualified. The Board of Directors may fill any vacancy created by an increase in the number of directors.

Section 9. Removal. At any meeting of the members called for the purpose any director may, by a majority of votes cast, be removed from office for cause, and another appointed in the place of the person so removed to serve for the remainder of his term.

ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Executive Committee. The Board of Directors shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than seven (7) members in addition to the President and Vice Presidents and Counsel; the Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director shall also be ex-officio members of the Committee, but without the right to vote. The Executive Committee shall serve during the pleasure of the Board of Directors and may be discharged and the Committee abolished at any time by the Board of Directors. Unless one of the members shall have been designated as Chairman by the Board of Di-

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Section 7. Vacancies. In case of any vacancy in the Executive Board, through death, resignation, or any cause other than removal by the members, the remaining Board members may elect a successor to hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of the Board member whose place shall be vacant and until his successor shall have been duly chosen and qualified.

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ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES

Omitted.

rectors, the Executive Committee shall elect a chairman from its own number. During the intervals between the meetings of the Board of Directors the Executive Committee shall possess and may exercise all of the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the corporation, conferred by these by-laws or otherwise, in all cases in which specific directions shall not have been given by the Board of Directors. The Executive Committee shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions. All action by the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Board of Directors at its meeting next succeeding such action, and shall be subject to revision and alterations by the Board of Directors; provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. Vacancies in the Executive Committee shall be filled by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Meetings of Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall fix its own rules of procedure, and shall meet as provided by such rules or by resolution of the Board of Directors, and its shall also meet at the call of the Chairman or of any three members of the Committee. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) members of the Committee. If necessary, members of the Executive Committee may by written notice appoint a proxy from among the members of the Board, to attend and vote on behalf of such members.

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Section 3. National Advisory Committee. The Board of Directors may establish a National Advisory Committee, composed of persons who reside outside the area of the Southern Regional Council and who are sympathetic with the aims and policies of the Council, whose purpose shall be to advise the Council on matters pertaining to the coordination of its work with similar organizations operating outside of the Council area.

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Section 4. Other Committees. The Board of Directors may by resolution provide for such other standing or special committees as it deems desirable and may discontinue the same at pleasure. Each such committee shall have such powers and perform such duties, not inconsistent with these by-laws, as may be assigned to it by the Board of Directors. If provision be made for any such committee, the mem-

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Mrs. Tilly suggested that it might be helpful to invite Marjorie Minkler to attend future annual meetings. It would be better still, if she could attend annual Board meetings.

PAUL D. WILLIAMS, RICHMOND
PRESIDENT
JOHN H. WHEELER, DURHAM
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT
GUY B. JOHNSON, CHAPEL HILL
SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT
CARTER WESLEY, HOUSTON
THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT
HAROLD L. TRIGG, RALEIGH
FOURTH VICE-PRESIDENT
CHARLES S. JOHNSON, NASHVILLE
CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
GEORGE S. MITCHELL
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
MRS. NORMA HUFF
SECRETARY-TREASURER
HAROLD C. FLEMING
DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

January 19, 1951

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Southern Regional Council

Mrs. Edward Vinson
1428 Clarimont Road
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Betty:

Enclosed is a copy of the minutes of the Annual Meeting, November 8, 1950.

Our by-laws provide that they be reviewed by three members who attended the meeting. Will you be kind enough to read them and make corrections and amendments, if necessary. I would appreciate receiving a statement from you that you have read and approved the minutes, or in case of changes, please list them.

Many thanks for your cooperation. It was a pleasure to have you participate in the meeting. We sincerely appreciate your coming.

Very truly yours,

Norma

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:jwh
encl.

Feb. 20

Dear Norma.
This got lost in the "shuffle" of an ill child.
I have read the minutes of the Annual Meeting, and have no corrections.

May 4, 1951

Reverend Emerson Smith
109 West Grace Street
Room 202
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Reverend Smith:

Have you had an opportunity yet to review the SRC annual meeting minutes?

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:jwh

Tuskegee Institute

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE
ALABAMA

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
RURAL LIFE COUNCIL

January 22, 1951

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Southern Regional Council

Mrs. Norma Huff, Secretary-Treasurer
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, Inc.
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Huff:

I have reviewed carefully the enclosed Minutes of the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council. I approve the Minutes in their entirety. I saw no place that needed correction.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest E. Neal

ERNEST E. NEAL, Director
Rural Life Council

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Enclosure: Minutes (November 8, 1950)

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also to:
Betty Vinson
Earnest Neal

Excerpt from minutes of the Executive Committee meeting, June 30, 1951

Council Reorganization

Discussion turned to the matter of reorganization of the Board of Directors. Dr. Mitchell reviewed the proposals made at the last annual meeting for collapsing the Board and Executive Committee into a single 17- or 19-man Executive Board, the ultimate governing body still to be the annual membership meeting. He pointed out that the Committee might well consider the whole matter in the light of the possibility of substantial financial support. There is always the possibility that a widespread membership organization never well enough in touch with its membership may be veered off its normal course by a small group of members at one of the annual meetings. Dr. Mitchell thought it wise to consider asking the State organizations to pick up and cultivate closely the existing membership of the Council within the State, the Council itself to become a self-perpetuating Board. Such a Board might be composed of fifty-odd members, including the chairman and vice-chairman of each cooperating State organization. This would make it possible for each State to pursue pretty much its own pace, the Council cooperating; whereas at present it is difficult for the Council to assist in the more advanced States when other component organizations within the Council are not so far along. The central office of the Council under such an arrangement would play an important part in the selection of personnel by the State Divisions; it would continue to publish a journal for the benefit of all members of State Divisions, and it would serve as a central organization for research interpretation.

It was recalled that the reorganization plan discussed in 1950 contemplated a fifty-man advisory committee. The suggestion was made that a more extensive reorganization might gear in with the plan of reorganization advanced last year, if the fifty-man advisory committee were selected with the possibility in mind that it might become substantially the governing body of the Council under some further reorganization.

After some discussion,

2. IT WAS VOTED that Mr. Williams be asked to appoint a nominating committee to prepare three lists of nominations based upon the three contingencies--simple replacement of Board members whose terms expire this year; collapse of the Board and Executive Committee into an Executive Board and the appointment of a fifty-man Advisory Committee; or the setting up of a self-perpetuating Board.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

3. IT WAS VOTED that the Council be authorized to continue operations at the present level.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

4. IT WAS VOTED that the next annual meeting be held November 14, 1951, at ten o'clock at Atlanta University.

Memorandum on a suitable Executive Board, August, 1951

The President

Four Vice-Presidents

The General Council

Fourteen elected members

Say: Morris Abram
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie
J. M. Dabbs
A. W. Dent
John A. Griffin
Charles S. Johnson
V. J. O'Connell
Alfred Mynders
John H. Wheeler
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Carter Wesley
Gordon Hancock
Paul Christopher
Rufus Clement
Josephine Wilkins

Memorandum on possible reorganization plan, August, 1951

The Southern Regional Council would be a self-perpetuating Board of about 75 members, all residents of the South and of distinction in their various fields of interest. The Board would meet annually, at least, and its affairs would be conducted in the intervals by an Executive Committee of about 17 members, inclusive of the (elected) officers of the Board.

Presumably, the staff would be headed by an Executive Director and an Associate Director, with a Secretary-Treasurer, all to be appointed from year to year by the Board. Remaining staff to be selected by these officers, whose use of the appointive power would be subject, naturally, to the scrutiny of the Executive Committee and the Board.

Each head of an affiliated State organization would be entitled, ex-officio, to a seat on the Board of Directors. Possibly, each First Vice-president of an affiliated State organization should be so entitled.

Statewide organizations could affiliate with the Southern Regional Council, provided they met SRC's requirements.

1. Constitution and by-laws acceptable to SRC.
2. No substantial part of their activity to be political.
3. No barriers to be imposed to membership from among any particular racial or religious group.
4. Receipt by SRC, before March 1 of each year, of an independent audit of the previous year's operations, with power in SRC to require an audit or have an audit performed at any time.

Each State organization would receive as its initial members all present members of SRC who wished to become members of such State organizations. Thereafter, it would be the duty of the State organization to build, bill, and service its own members. But each member of a State organization would be required to subscribe to the Council's central publication, at such subscription rate as might be set by the Board of Directors. Dues over and above such subscription would remain with the State organization.

In the event of liquidation of a State organization, any property purchased by it with funds made available by SRC would become the property of SRC, for its disposition. In the event of disaffiliation, SRC would have the right to require purchase from it of any such property. But SRC would not expect to make funds available for any purposes other than salaries, travel, and incidental office expenses, so that little property purchased with SRC funds should accumulate.

SRC would have the right to disaffiliate any State organization adjudged by SRC's Board to have wilfully violated SRC policy or to have used SRC-provided assistance dishonestly, but only after reasonable opportunity has been provided for the accused organization to present its case before the SRC Board.

Persons resident outside the South and wishing to assist the Council could become (non-voting) associate members of the State organization of their choice, or could be enrolled as sustaining associates of the Southern Regional Council, a pleasant status carrying no vote but all publications.

Local city organizations desiring to affiliate would be required to have all their officers become members of the State organization (and therefore subscribers to SRC's central publication), and would be encouraged to have all their members become members of the State organization.

Memorandum on Board of Directors as of August, 1951

The Board contains as of now 53 regularly elected members, as follows:

Class of 1951 (11)

Not eligible for immediate reelection:

Georgia
C. H. Gillman
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
T. James McNamara
Arthur J. Moore
Louisiana
A. W. Dent
North Carolina
John H. Wheeler. Has place on Board, ex-officio, as Vice-President of SRC.
Virginia
Wilson M. Brown
Gordon Hancock

Eligible for immediate reelection:

Mississippi
Mrs. W. H. Ratliff. Completing first term.
South Carolina
J. M. Dabbs. Completing first term. Also has place on Board, ex-officio, as head of South Carolina Division.
Tennessee
Paul Christopher. First elected in 1949 to fill term expiring in 1951.

Class of 1952 (19)

Arkansas
R. R. Wright, Jr.
Florida
Herbert Davidson
Georgia
Morris Abram
Benjamin E. Mays
Harry V. Richardson
Louisiana
V. J. O'Connell
Florence Sytz
Mississippi
D. Swan Haworth
North Carolina
W. W. Alexander
Clyde Milner
N. C. Newbold
Howard W. Odum
R. B. Wellons

Oklahoma
O. D. Duncan
Tennessee
Charles S. Johnson
E. W. Palmer
Virginia
Virginius Dabney
Arthur Raper
P. B. Young

Class of 1953 (21)

Alabama
Charles Mantinband
F. D. Patterson
Florida
Mrs. Warren Zeuch
Georgia
Rufus E. Clement
John A. Griffin
Armand May
Lorimer D. Milton
Glenn W. Rainey
Forrester B. Washington
Kentucky
E. A. McDowell
C. H. Parrish
E. A. Penick
North Carolina
Charlotte Hawkins Brown
Marion A. Wright
South Carolina
Mrs. Cassandra H. Birnie
A. T. Butler
James L. Coker
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
Texas
Carter Wesley
Virginia
Alonzo G. Moron
J. G. Pollard

Class of 1954 (1)

Virginia
Arthur W. Mitchell

Additionally, the Board contains the following persons who, as officers of the Council, are ex-officio members of the Board:

Paul D. Williams
John H. Wheeler
Guy B. Johnson
Carter Wesley
Harold L. Trigg
Leonard Haas

George S. Mitchell

John H. Wheeler (class of 1951) and Carter Wesley (class of 1953) are regularly elected members of the Board, who are additionally entitled to membership ex-officio as Vice-Presidents.

The Board contains also, as ex-officio heads of State Divisions or State Committees eleven non-elected members:

Alabama--A. D. Beittel
Arkansas--W. W. Wilke
Florida--W.W. Gibbs
Georgia--George E. Clary
Kentucky--J. M. Tydings
Louisiana--L. J. Twomey
Mississippi--John Long
North Carolina--Leon Russell
Tennessee--Alfred Hynders
Texas--Mrs. James S. Crate
Virginia--J. M. Ellison

Thus, the vacancies available in November, 1951, will be as follows:

Full strength authorized by by-laws	72
Present elected members	53
Vacancies	19
But of the 53 elected members, 11 are of the class of 1951, adding vacancies	11
Total vacancies	30

It would be possible to make one further vacancy, by electing a replacement to the class of 1953 in the place of Carter Wesley, who, as Vice-President has a seat on the Board ex-officio.

The by-laws provide (Article IV, Sec. 1) that, "No elected director shall serve more than two consecutive full terms of four years each."

Under this provision, the following former members of the Board will in 1951 be eligible for re-election:

Alabama
D. V. Jemison, class of 1950
Donald Comer, " " 1950
Florida
R. P. Daniel, 1949
Emily Clay, 1950
Edgar Ray, 1950
Francis Bridges, 1944
H. D. Goode, 1948
Mrs. Henry Havens
Walter J. Matherly
Georgia
Jacob Henderson, 1949

Maynard Jackson, 1949
Gerald P. O'Hara
Raymond Paty
Philip H. Shulhafer, 1950
Goodrich White, 1950
Josephine Wilkins, 1950
Mrs. H. E. Tilly. Elected 1944. Became field secretary 1945.

Kentucky
Rufus E. Atwood, 1950
Charles W. Anderson, Jr. Member 1944-45.
Charles W. Clingman, 1948

Louisiana
Felton Clark, 1950
Ernest Delpit. Dropped 1948 for non-payment of dues.

Mississippi
Jacob L. Reddix, 1948

North Carolina
David D. Jones, 1950

South Carolina
J. G. Stuart, 1948

Tennessee
William E. Cole, 1950
Z. A. Looby, 1948

Virginia
Charles Smith, 1950
Edmund M. Preston, 1944

Others
Thomas S. Staple, 1948
Mrs. A. M. P. Strong, 1948

The following former Board members have, at one time or another, resigned:

Name and State	Year Resigned
Aubrey Williams, Alabama	1949
Frank W. Spencer, Georgia	1947
Edgar B. Stern, Louisiana	1948
P. H. Easom, Mississippi	1947
F. C. Wilcoxon, Mississippi -1945	1947
J. W. Seabrook, North Carolina	1949
Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, North Carolina	1949
R. B. Herbert, South Carolina	1947
James L. Robb, Tennessee	1945

The following have been, at one time or another, elected to the Board but did not accept:

Georgia
E. L. Abercrombie, 1949
Lillian Smith, 1944

Kentucky
Barry Bintham, 1945 and 1948
Mark Etheridge, 1948

North Carolina
Jonathan Daniels, 1948
Gordon Gray, 1945

George Watts Hill, 1945
South Carolina
Judge Waites Waring, 1948
Tennessee
Jennings Pherry, 1946
Texas
Archbishop R. M. Lucey, 1944
Virginia
Webster Rhoads, 1950
Louis W. Strauss, 1950
T. W. Wilmer, 1944

Former Board members who have moved out of region:

Horace Mann Bond, 1945
Stanley Brav, 1948
Louis Burnham, 1949
Clarke Foreman, 1949
Ryland Knight,
W. H. Marmion, 1950
Homer P. Rainey
Ira DeA. Reid, 1948

Former ex-officio member, not now on Board and eligible for election:

Rev. H. Brent Schaeffer, Jackson, Mississippi, Chairman of Mississippi Division, 1948-1950.

The following persons have, within the last two or three years, been suggested for membership on the Board:

Arkansas
Harry Ashmore
Georgia
Blanton Fortson
William Hepburn
W. A. Mason
Thomas W. Culpepper
Kentucky
Ed Waller
Mississippi
Bethany Swearingen
Mrs. Lillian Rogers Johnson
North Carolina
Don Showmaker
South Carolina
E. C. Wall
Mrs. C. C. Withington
Tennessee
Mrs. Moses Cantor
Texas
J. L. Clark

Appended is a current list of Fellows of the Council.

Memorandum as of August, 1951, on possible makeup of an advisory committee (which could become the General Board).

Name & State	Profession	Race
Alabama		
A. D. Beittel	College President	N
Charles Gomillion	College Dean	N
D. V. Jemison	Minister	N
F. D. Patterson	College President	N
Arkansas		
Harry Ashmore	Editor	W
John R. Ewbank	College Professor	W
Florida		
Mrs. Henry Havens	Church Leader	W
Georgia		
Rufus Clement	College President	N
John A. Griffin	College Professor	W
Mozell Hill	College Professor	N
Leonard Haas	Lawyer	W
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton	Social Worker	N
Benjamin F. Mays	College President	N
T. J. McNamara	Clergyman	W
W. A. Mason	Doctor	N
L. D. Milton	Banker	N
Raymond Paty	Businessman	W
Philip Shulhafer	Businessman	W
Elbert Tuttle	Lawyer	W
Robert A. Thompson	Economist	N
Forrester B. Washington	College Dean	N
Goodrich White	College President	W
Josephine Wilkins	Publicist	W
A. J. Moore	Bishop	W
Kentucky		
R. E. Atwood	College President	N
E. A. McDowell	Seminary Teacher	W
J. M. Tydings	College Pres. & Architect	W
Louisiana		
Felton Clark	Labor Official	N
A. W. Dent	College President	N
V. J. O'Connell	Clergyman	W
Edgar B. Stern	Businessman	W
Florence Sytz	College Dean	W
Mississippi		
Dorothy Dickens	College Professor	W
Mrs. W. H. Ratliffe	Church Leader	W
Jacob L. Reddix	College President	N
H. Brent Schaeffer	Minister	W

Name & State	Profession	Race
North Carolina		
W. W. Alexander	Farmer	W
Mrs. C. H. Brown	College President	N
Guy B. Johnson	College Professor	W
Howard W. Odum	College Professor	W
E. A. Penick	Bishop	W
Don Shoemaker	Editor	W
Harold Trigg	College President	N
J. H. Wheeler	Banker	N
M. A. Wright	Lawyer	W
Oklahoma		
C. D. Duncan	College Professor	W
South Carolina		
J. M. Dabbs	Farmer	W
Dorothy Jones	Teacher	W
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman	Church Leader	W
Mrs. C. C. Withington	Church Leader	W
J. L. Coker	Businessman	W
Tennessee		
Paul Christopher	Labor Official	W
Mrs. Moses Cantor	Lay Leader	W
William E. Cole	Teacher	W
Charles S. Johnson	College President	N
Z. A. Looby	Lawyer	N
Alfred Mynders	Editor	W
Mrs. E. C. Robinson	Church Leader	W
E. W. Palmer	Businessman	W
Texas		
Carter Wesley	Editor	N
Mrs. James S. Crate	Church Leader	W
Virginia		
Virginius Dabney	Editor	W
H. O. DeWitt	Economist	N
Gordon Hancock	College Professor	N
Arthur Mitchell	Farmer	N
John G. Pollard, Jr.	Bishop	W
P. D. Williams	Businessman	W
P. B. Young	Editor	N

HONORARY FELLOWS

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

September 12, 1951

		Total	N
ALABAMA			
Dr. Charles Gomillion (N) Tuskegee Institute Tuskegee Institute	Mr. Ernest Neal (N) Tuskegee Institute Tuskegee Institute		
Mrs. Effie Morten Goode (N) 20 S. Hallett St. Mobile	Rev. Dan C. Whitsett (W) 105 E. Spring St. Sylacauga	6	4
ARKANSAS			
Mr. Paul Clanton (W) Box 778 Pine Bluff	Mr. Edward D. Robinson (N) Principal, Blevins Training School, Box 104 Blevins		
Dr. John R. Ewbank (W) Philander Smith College Little Rock	Dr. Stephen A. Stephan (W) Dept of Sociology University of Arkansas Fayetteville		
Dr. W. H. Pipes (N) 1110 Izard St. Little Rock	Miss Sadye Thompson (N) Little Rock Urban League 914 Gaines St. Little Rock	6	3
FLORIDA			
Mr. L. I. Alexander (N) 614 Broad St. Jacksonville	Mr. James A. Greene (N) Principal, Lewis Jr. H. S. Jacksonville		
	Mrs. E. P. Mulcahy (W) 1836 Naldo Avenue Jacksonville 7	4	3
GEORGIA			
Rev. Robert Ayers (W) 204 Leconte Hall University of Georgia Athens	Dr. Mozell C. Hill (N) Dept. of Sociology Atlanta University Atlanta		

GEORGIA

	Total	N	W
Mrs. Lyn Keyes (W) 411 S. 8th St. Griffin			
Mr. Alexander Miller (W) Anti-Defamation League 11 Pryor St., S. W. Atlanta			
Dr. John W. Morgan (W) Georgia State College for Women Milledgeville			
Mr. Robert A. Thompson (N) Atlanta Urban League 239 Auburn Ave., N. E. Atlanta			
Mr. Harry B. Williams (W) Board of Control for Southern Regional Education 830 W. Peachtree, N. W. Atlanta			
Mr. Leo J. Zuber (W) 2794 N. Decatur Rd. Decatur	8	2	6

KENTUCKY

Mr. Norman Fenn (W) Box 584 Berea College Berea			
Mr. Harold S. Smith (N) Kentucky State College Frankfort			
Mr. E. W. Whiteside (N) Principal, Lincoln High Paducah			
Mr. G. D. Wilson (W) Louisville Municipal College 3344 Grand Ave. Louisville	4	3	1

LOUISIANA

Miss Mary B. Allen (W) 6926 Willow St. New Orleans			
Dr. Leander L. Boykin (W) Box 9390 Southern Univ., Southern P. O. Baton Rouge			
Rev. Jerome A. Drolet (W) St. Charles Church RFD 236 Thibodeaux			
Rev. Joseph H. Fichter, S. J. (W) Dept. of Sociology Loyola University of the South New Orleans			
Dr. Clarence E. Glick (W) Tulane University New Orleans 15			
Rev. Henry W. Havens, Jr. (W) Trinity Church 1329 Jackson Ave. New Orleans			
Dean Aguinaldo Lenoir (N) Southern Univ., Southern P. O. Baton Rouge	7	1	6

MISSISSIPPI

	Total	N	W
Dr. Dorothy Dickins (W) Miss. Agricultural Experiment Station State College			
Dr. P. W. Hill (N) P. O. Box 547 Clarksdale			
Miss Arenia Mallory (N) Saints Industrial and Literary School Lexington			
Dr. V. L. Wharton (W) Millsaps College Jackson	4	2	2

NORTH CAROLINA

Dr. William H. Brown (N) North Carolina College Durham			
Mr. S. E. Duncan (N) State Dept. of Public Instruction Raleigh			
Miss Eva L. Frazer (N) 121 E. South Street Raleigh			
Mr. Cyrus M. Johnson Bunn			
Mr. R. E. Jones (N) A & T College Box 68 Greensboro			
Mr. Howard Kester (W) Campbell Folk School Brasstown			
Mr. John R. Larkins (N) Consultant on Negro Work N. C. State Board of Charities and Public Welfare Raleigh			
Dr. Gordon Lovejoy (W) 2815 Bedford Ave. Raleigh			
Mr. Asa T. Spaulding (N) North Carolina Life Insurance Durham			
Mr. George Stephens (W) 48 Walnut Street Asheville	10	6	4

OKLAHOMA

Dr. Paul B. Foreman (W) Dept. of Sociology Oklahoma A & M College Stillwater			
Mrs. Cenoria D. Johnson (N) Oklahoma City Urban League 300 Siles Street Oklahoma City			
Mr. Jimmy Stewert (N) 627 N. E. 6th Street Oklahoma City	3	2	1

SOUTH CAROLINA

	Total	N	W
Mrs. Jessie N. Boyd (W) 442 Union St. Spartanburg			
Miss Cassandra Maxwell Birnie (N) 721 Russell St., N. E. Orangeburg			
Mr. Arthur Clement (N) N. C. Mutual Life Ins. Co. Station A, Box 36			
Mr. Howard C. McClain (W) 116 S. Saluda St. Columbia			
Dr. Dorothy Jones (W) Dept. of Sociology Box 42, Winthrop College Rock Hill			
Mr. John F. Potts (N) Director, Avery Institute Charleston			
Mr. Paul Webber (N) S. C. State College Orangeburg	7	4	3

TENNESSEE

Mr. J. H. Daves (N) TVA 404 Commercial National Bank Building Knoxville			
Mrs. Lettie S. Galloway (N) 18th Avenue Community Center 1621 - 18th Avenue Nashville 8			
Dr. Merle Eppse (N) Tennessee A & T College Nashville			
Miss Josephine Hamilton (W) Church Hill			
Mr. Abbott L. Ferris (W) Box 1164 Vanderbilt University Nashville			
Mr. George F. Hull (W) Photographer, Chattanooga Times Chattanooga			
Dr. Harold West (N) Meharry Medical College Nashville	7	4	3

TEXAS

Mrs. Pauline Watkins Campbell (N) Box 242 Huntsville			
Mr. Jewel Tatum (N) Mary Allen College Crockett			
Dr. R. C. Koeninger (W) Dept. of Sociology Sam Houston State Teachers Huntsville			
Mr. Jackson Valtair (W) 5201 Belmont Street Dallas			
Dr. E. B. Perry (N) Rm. 223-224, Pilgrim Building Houston 3			
Dr. C. R. Yerwood (N) 1115 Twelfth Street State Dept. of Health Austin	6	4	2

VIRGINIA

Mr. W. Barton Beatty, Jr. (N)
Director of Public Relations
Hampton Institute
Hampton

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Box 528
South Boston

Mr. Roscoe E. Lewis (N)
Hampton Institute
Hampton

Mr. Henry Liscio (W)
811 Cathedral Place
Richmond

Mr. Harry W. Roberts (N)
Virginia State College
Petersburg

Total	N	W
6	4	2

OTHER STATES

Mr. William Y. Bell, Jr. (N)
c/o N. Y. Ethical Culture Society
2 West 64th Street
New York, New York

Dr. John Hope Franklin (N)
Howard University
Washington, D. C.

Dr. Ruth T. Brett (N)
c/o AF SC
20 S. 12th St.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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September 20, 1951

Dear Miss Stoney:

Your communications to Mrs. Hamilton under date of September 19th have been received. They will be brought to her attention on her return from vacation after October 1st.

Yours cordially,

M. T. Mickens

M. T. Mickens
Secretary to Mrs. Hamilton

Miss Katherine Stoney
Acting Secretary-Treasurer
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LETTER TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE FOR MEMBERSHIP ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 21, 1951

You will remember Paul Williams's request of some weeks ago that you serve as a member of this committee.

We expect the annual membership meeting to occur this year December 12.

On September 17 a meeting was arranged here of Atlanta members of your committee. Mr. Bob Thompson and Mr. Art Levin met with the staff and also with Mr. Harry Richardson, who is a member of the Board's committee to nominate its Executive Committee.

The complicated matters before us this year were explained in advance by letter to the Atlanta Board members, copy of which is enclosed for you.

The meeting on the 17th addressed itself to choosing, from among past and present members of the Board and other names before it, a select list of persons so outstandingly useful to the Council's purposes that they should be urged for membership on whatever Board or Advisory Committee the Council might have. Here are listed by States, those so selected:

Alabama
F. D. Patterson--college president

Arkansas
Harry Ashmore--editor

Florida
Herbert Davidson--editor
R. P. Daniel--lawyer

Georgia
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton--social worker
Arthur J. Moore--clergyman
Morris Abram--lawyer
Benjamin E. Mays--college president
Harry V. Richardson--seminary president
Rufus E. Clement--college president
John A. Griffin--professor
J. B. Blayton--businessman
Elbert Tuttle--lawyer
Raymond Paty--business executive
Josephine Wilkins--organizational leader

Kentucky
Rufus E. Atwood--college president

Louisiana
V. J. O'Connell--clergyman
Florence Sytz--college president
Felton Clark--college president

Mississippi
Jacob L. Reddix--college president
H. Brent Schaeffer--clergyman

North Carolina
John H. Wheeler--banker
W. W. Alexander--farmer
Clyde Milner--college president
Howard W. Odum--professor
Charlotte Hawkins Brown--college president
Marion A. Wright--lawyer

South Carolina
J. M. Dabbs--farmer
James L. Coker--businessman
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman--organizational leader
Mrs. C. C. Withington--church leader

Tennessee
Charles S. Johnson--college president
E. W. Palmer--publisher
Z. A. Looby--lawyer

Texas
Carter Wesley--editor

Virginia
Gordon Hancock--professor
Virginius Dabney--editor
Alonzo G. Moron--college president
J. G. Pollard--farmer
Arthur W. Mitchell--former member of Congress

Some additional names were mentioned as suitable for membership on the Board. These are as follows:

Alabama
Stanley ~~Louis~~ Rosenbaum, ~~Jr.~~--businessman--Florence
A. S. Turnipseed--clergyman--Montgomery
William Mitch--United Mine Workers official--Birmingham
Charles Zukowski--banker--Birmingham

Arkansas
F. H. Davis--college president--Pine Bluff

Georgia
Richard Rich--merchant--Atlanta
Hughes Spalding, Jr.--banker--Atlanta
Mrs. A. A. Hardy--church leader--Thomaston

Mississippi
Alexander Kline ~~Klein~~--rabbi--Clarksdale

South Carolina
A. R. Suritz--businessman--Rock Hill

Tennessee
Dan May--Board of Education--Nashville
Morton Tendler--physician--Memphis
Isadore Franzblau ~~Franz Bleu~~--rabbi--Bristol

Virginia
P. B. Young, Jr.--editor--Norfolk

The views of the Atlanta members of the committee have no special validity, and it is of the greatest importance for the other members to add or remove names as they may wish. The more so because, as you will see, the list is too heavy with Georgia names. It would be well if as many as seventy names were before the committee finally.

I suggest that you alter this list as you will and send it back in to us. We will then arrange another meeting of the Atlanta members and send out to you again for criticism a possible composite list. If you can get to the annual meeting in December, your committee can meet as a whole then. But we should be prepared with your views, got by mail, as best we can.

We have worked on the assumption that the first consideration in picking someone is not that he shall be our friend (our friends will help us anyhow), but that he shall be of the right sympathies and one potentially useful in action and influence.

We are shy on businessmen and need more. Some more doctors would help us. Fill in the gaps as best you can with people you know. The whole Council will be grateful for your efforts.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

September 27, 1951

Following sent to all Exec. Com. members
on card

This is to let you know that the December 12 date for the annual membership meeting of SRC has been approved by a majority of the Executive Committee. The meeting will be held at Atlanta University. Further details about time of meeting, the Board meeting, etc. will be sent to you later.

We hope you can be with us on that date.

Sincerely yours,

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Acting Secretary-Treasurer

September 27, 1951

Mr. Paul Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Williams:

The December 12 date for the annual membership meeting of the Council has been approved by a majority of the Executive Committee and I am sending out cards to the Executive Committee to-day confirming that date. We have reserved space at Atlanta University for the meeting.

Dr. Mitchell will be writing you in a day or so concerning further details but I wanted to let you know the opinion of the committee.

We shall look forward to having you with us both for the Executive Committee meeting on October 26th and the annual meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

I can be present for the Executive Committee meeting in Atlanta on October 26, 1951 _____

_____ would be a better date for me.

SIGNED Gordon B Hancock

Sorry I cannot come on that date. I favor December for the general meeting - G -

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The dates for the Annual meeting of The S.C.Conference of Social Work are November 7-9 in Columbia .

I hope the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council will not conflict this year .

Received from Miss Minahan 6/14/51

I approve the December 12 date _____

I prefer the November 7 date ✓

Signed Carter Wesley

the more you get to know the worse it will be at tendance

I approve the December 12 date ✓

I prefer the November 7 date _____

Signed Howard Haas

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I approve the December 12 date ✓

I prefer the November 7 date _____

Signed Roger E. Conwell

I approve the December 12 date I approve prefer

I prefer the November 7 date No

Signed J. James McNamara

I approve the December 12 date ✓

I prefer the November 7 date _____

Signed [illegible]

I approve the December 12 date Yes

I prefer the November 7 date No

SIGNED Paul Christopher

I approve the December 12 date O. K.

I prefer the November 7 date _____

Signed Guy B. Johnson

Chapel Hill, N.C.
9-21-'51

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

November 1, 1951

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

The Board will convene at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 11, 1951 in the Board Room of the Administration Building, Atlanta University, 223 Chestnut Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia.

It is expected that this will be a particularly important meeting of the Board and your presence is urged.

Expenses of Board members will be paid. If you wish us to make your hotel reservation, please let us know as soon as possible.

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

November 1, 1951

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.:

The 1951 Annual Membership Meeting of the Southern Regional Council, Inc. will be held on Wednesday, December 12th in the Exhibition Room of the Trevor Arnett Library, Atlanta University, 273 Chestnut Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting proper at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be served at 12:30 and the meeting will continue through an afternoon session.

Members and friends of the Council are urged to attend this meeting.

KATHERINE STONEY,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia
November 14, 1951

LETTER TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE TO MAKE NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The following are the members of the Committee to Make Nominations for Membership on the Board of Directors:

Bob Thompson, Atlanta
Nat Welch, Montgomery
Art Levin, Atlanta
Ocie Lee Smith, Little Rock
Mrs. William Hogue, Houston
Mrs. V. Carter Mason, Norfolk

Of these, we have had opportunity to consult, in person or by mail, all except Mrs. Mason.

Based upon the recommendations and advice of the members of the Committee, the staff of the Council has put together the following lists:

I. In the event that the membership meeting should direct a complete reorganization of the Council, altering it into a self-perpetuating board.

F. D. Patterson	College President	Tuskegee
William Mitch	Labor Leader	Birmingham
Truman Hobbs	Lawyer	Montgomery
Harry Ashmore	Editor	Little Rock
U. S. Bond	Businessman & Planter	Madison, Ark.
Mrs. E. D. Rauschkolb	Church Leader	Little Rock
L. A. Davis	College President	Pine Bluff
Herbert Davidson	Editor	Daytona Beach
L. E. Thomas	Lawyer	Miami
G. D. Rogers, Jr.	Businessman	Tampa
R. P. Daniel	Lawyer	Jacksonville
Arthur J. Moore	Clergyman	Atlanta
Harry V. Richardson	Seminary President	Atlanta
Rufus E. Clement	University President	Atlanta
Morris Abram	Lawyer	Atlanta
Benjamin E. Mays	College President	Atlanta
Richard Rich	Businessman	Atlanta
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton	Social Worker	Atlanta
Josephine Wilkins	Organizational Leader	Atlanta
Rufus B. Atwood	College President	Frankfort
Hugh Brimm	Clergyman	Louisville
A. W. Dent	University President	New Orleans

V. J. O'Connell	Clergyman	New Orleans
Florence Sytz	Social Worker & Dean	New Orleans
Felton Clark	College President	Baton Rouge
Jacob L. Reddix	College President	Jackson
Alexander Kline	Rabbi	Clarksdale
A. D. Stewart	Businessman	Amory
Howard W. Odum	Professor	Chapel Hill
Clyde Milner	College President	Guilford College
Marion A. Wright	Lawyer	Linville Falls
O. D. Duncan	Professor	Stillwater
A. Maceo Smith	Housing Official	Dallas
Will W. Alexander	Farmer	Chapel Hill
J. M. Dabbs	Farmer	Mayesville, S. C.
James L. Coker	Businessman	Hartsville
Mrs. C. C. Withington	Church Leader	Greenville
Charles S. Johnson	University President	Nashville
E. W. Palmer	Businessman	Kingsport
Mrs. E. U. Robinson	Church Leader	Franklin
Paul Christopher	Labor Leader	Knoxville
Z. A. Looby	Lawyer	Nashville
Carter Wesley	Editor	Houston
Stanley Marcus	Businessman	Houston
W. L. Clayton	Businessman	Houston
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor	Church Leader	Houston
Maury Maverick, Jr.	Lawyer	San Antonio
John G. Pollard	Farmer	Somers
Arthur W. Mitchell	Farmer	Petersburg
Alonzo Morón	College President	Hampton
Virginius Dabney	Editor	Richmond
Gordon Hancock	Clergyman & Professor	Richmond

This is a total of 19 Negroes and 33 whites. By profession, the breakdown is: 4 church leaders, 4 farmers, 8 businessmen, 4 editors, 10 professional men, 6 clergymen, 14 academic persons, and 2 labor leaders.

This is a total of 52 persons. Presumably, a Board of this kind would have as additional full members approximately 24 persons serving ex officio on this Board, by virtue of their positions as top officials of State Divisions or State organizations of the Council.

II. In the event that the membership meeting should wish merely to bring the existing Board up to full strength, it would be in order to make 30 nominations to the 30 vacancies on the Board as at present constituted. If so large a number should be elected, it would be desirable to arrange for staggered terms.

Harry Ashmore
William Mitch
U. S. Bond
Mrs. E. U. Rauschkolb
L. A. Davis
G. D. Rogers, Jr.
R. P. Daniel
Richard Rich
Josephine Wilkins

Hugh Brimm		
V. J. O'Connell		
H. Brent Schaeffer	Clergyman	Jackson
Alexander Kline		
A. D. Stewart		
Mrs. C. C. Withington		
Z. A. Looby		
Morton Tendler	Physician	Memphis
A. Maceo Smith		
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor		
R. O'Hara Lanier	University President	Houston
W. L. Clayton		
E. A. Johnson	State President, NAACP	Natchitoches
Isadore Franzblau	Rabbi	Bristol
A. S. Turnipseed	Clergyman	Montgomery
Mrs. A. A. Hardy	Church Leader	Thomaston, Ga.
Ernest Neal	Professor	Tuskegee
Harold DeWitt	Social Worker	Richmond
Harry W. Roberts	Professor	Petersburg, Va.
Mrs. Henry Havens	Church Leader	Jacksonville
Paul Christopher		
J. M. Dabbs		

III. In the event that the membership meeting directs the collapsing of the present Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee into a single, small Executive Board (17 members has been discussed):

F. D. Patterson		
Harry Ashmore		
Herbert Davidson		
Harry V. Richardson		
Rufus E. Clement		
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton		
Rufus B. Atwood		
Hugh Brimm		
A. W. Dent		
V. J. O'Connell		
Florence Sytz		
Jacob L. Reddix		
Howard W. Odum		
John H. Wheeler	Businessman	Durham
Charlotte Hawkins Brown	College President	Greensboro
J. M. Dabbs		
Carter Wesley		
Gordon Hancock		

IV. In the event that, in addition to a small Executive Board, there should be established a large Advisory Committee:

All of those listed under (I), above, not listed under (III), above.

If you will send back your comments, it should be possible to have another composite list available for such members of the Nominating Committee as are present at the membership meeting December 12.

Use your pencil freely for crossings out or additions, please.

On the advice of those members of the Nominating Committee who could be consulted in person, the above lists have been made up on the supposition that all of the Council's longtime friends will continue to be interested in it, whether they are on the Board or not. With this in mind, many names of persons greatly interested in the Council are not on the lists, and in their stead are names of persons whose knowledge of and sympathy with the work of the Council may be as yet small, but whom it is believed would become earnest and helpful in the Council's work.

Good if we could have your comments by November 25.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec
Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence.

AGENDA OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, DECEMBER 11, 1951

I. Invocation

II. Minutes of preceding meeting

III. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

IV. Report of the Executive Director

V. Report of the Director of Information

VI. Report of the Special Committee on Policy and Program

VII. Discussion

VIII. Action

IX. Possible changes in by-laws

X. Election of Secretary-Treasurer

XI. Confirmation of Executive Director

XII. New business

XIII. Adjournment

TOWARD AGENDA FOR ANNUAL MEETING, 1951

I. Invocation

II. Minutes of preceding meeting

III. Report of the secretary-treasurer
   A. Finances (1) Arrangements with Mr. Byrd
   B. Membership

IV. Report of the Executive Director

V. Introduction of staff

VI. Report of the president

VII. Luncheon interval

VIII. Report of Special Committee on Policy and Program

IX. Discussion and Action

X. Amendments to by-laws

XI. Resolutions

XII. New business

XIII. Report of committee to nominate members of the Board of Directors
   A. Resignation of John H. Wheeler

XIV. Other business

XV. Adjournment

For Mr. Paul D. Williams

AGENDA FOR MEETING OF MEMBERSHIP, SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, DECEMBER 12, 1950

I. Invocation

II. Minutes of preceding meeting
Paul Williams note that the minutes were read and approved by a committee of members of the Council as follows: Mrs. Ed Vinson and Ernest Neal.

III. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer
A. Finances
1. Arrangements with Mr. Byrd
B. Membership

IV. Report of the Executive Director

V. Introduction of staff

VI. Report of the President

VII. Luncheon interval

VIII. Report of Special Committee on Policy and Program

Dr. Charles S. Johnson, chairman	Dr. Howard W. Odum
Marion A. Wright	John A. Griffin
Dr. Harry V. Richardson	Morris Abram
Dr. Harold L. Trigg	Dr. A. W. Dent
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton	Rev. V. J. O'Connell

IX. Discussion and action

X. Amendments to by-laws

XI. Resolutions

XII. New business

XIII. Report of committee to nominate members of the Board of Directors
A. Resignation of John H. Wheeler
Paul Williams note that the committee to nominate members of the Board of Directors is: Bob Thompson, Nat Welch, Art Levin, Ocie Lee Smith, Mrs. William Hogue, Mrs. W. T. Mason

XIV. Other business

XV. Adjournment

The committee on by-laws which Paul Williams appointed at the last Executive Committee meeting is:

Chairman--Leonard Haas

Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton

Gordon Hancock

Nominating committees for SRC

Committee to nominate members of the Board of Directors

Chairman--Bob Thompson, Atlanta
Nat Welch, Montgomery
Art Levin, Atlanta
Ocie Lee Smith, Little Rock
Mrs. William Hogue, Houston
Mrs. V. Carter Mason, Norfolk

Committee to nominate members of the Executive Committee

Chairman--Glenn Rainey, Atlanta
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie, Atlanta
Morris Abram, Atlanta
A. W. Dent, New Orleans
Harry Richardson, Atlanta
Mrs. Robinson, Franklin, Tennessee
Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, Sedalia, N. C.

Resolutions
M. Wright.
B. Hamilton

PROCEDURE FOR ANNUAL MEETING IN CASE IT IS DECIDED TO ADOPT A SMALL EXECUTIVE BOARD:

I. Amend the by-laws under Articles 4 and 5 and 6 to conform with the proposed new by-laws as listed in the attached memorandum.

II. It is to be noted that the proposed new by-laws provide for the selection of an Advisory Council of 50 members, selection to be made by the Executive Board. Presumably, the Board would, in making its selection, avail itself of the list of nominees for such committee prepared for the 1951 annual meeting.

III. The nominating committee should divide the 14 elected members of the Executive Board into 4 categories, as required by the new by-laws. A suggested division:

For a term of one year:
Herbert Davidson
Josephine Wilkins

For a term of two years:
F. D. Patterson
Harry Richardson
Hugh Brimm
A. W. Dent

For a term of three years:
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Rufus E. Clement
Rufus B. Atwood
Howard W. Odum

For a term of four years
Rev. V. J. O'Connell
Jacob L. Reddix
Paul Christopher
J. M. Dabbs

I do ~~(do not)~~ accept the allocation of terms for Board members as suggested in your letter of December 20th.

SIGNED _____

I do ~~(do not)~~ accept the allocation of terms for Board members as suggested in your letter of December 20th.

SIGNED Harry A. Richardson

I do (~~do not~~) accept the allocation of terms for Board members as suggested in your letter of December 20th.

SIGNED Rufus E. Clement

12-21-57

I do (~~do not~~) accept the allocation of terms for Board members as suggested in your letter of December 20th.

SIGNED Samuella Maxwell Blaine

I do (~~do not~~ yes) accept the allocation of terms for Board members as suggested in your letter of December 20th.

SIGNED Alfred D Snyders

I do (~~do not~~) accept the allocation of terms for Board members as suggested in your letter of December 20th.

SIGNED Leonard Shaw

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

63 AUBURN AVENUE, NE

ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

December 20, 1951

The membership meeting December 13 elected the following to the Board of Directors:

John Page Williams	Schoolmaster	Richmond
Harry Ashmore	Editor	Little Rock
Mrs. E. J. Rauschkolb	Church Leader	Little Rock
L. E. Thomas	Lawyer	Miami
Ben J. Massell	Businessman	Atlanta
Josephine Wilkins	Organizational Leader	Atlanta
Alexander Kline	Rabbi	Clarksdale, Miss.
A. Maceo Smith	Housing Official	Dallas
Paul Christopher	Labor Leader	Knoxville
Ed H. Weyler	Labor Leader	Louisville
Paul Williams	Businessman	Richmond
Guy Johnson	Professor	Chapel Hill
Harold Trigg	College President	Raleigh
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor	Church Leader	Houston

By action of the membership the allocation of the terms of the new Board members is to be made by the Executive Committee.

The Class of 1955 contains ten vacancies, and the Class of 1954 contains seven additional vacancies.

It would seem sensible for ten of the new Board members to go into a four-year term ending in 1955, and for four to go into a three-year term ending in 1954.

Allocations to terms at the organizing of the Board (1944) were made by lot. In order to achieve a chance allocation of these fourteen names, the secretary-treasurer and I drew off the fourteen names on slips and at random withdrew four names to occupy the three-year terms. These were as follows: L. E. Thomas, Ben J. Massell, Josephine Wilkins, John Page Williams.

With your approval, the new Board members will be requested to serve, therefore, in terms allocated as follows:

Class of 1955

Harry Ashmore	Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor	Harold Trigg
Paul Christopher	Mrs. E. J. Rauschkolb	Ed H. Weyler
Guy Johnson	Maceo Smith	Paul Williams
Alexander Kline		

Class of 1954

L. E. Thomas
Ben J. Massell
Josephine Wilkins
John Page Williams

The enclosed postal will signify your approval or disapproval.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec

as of Nov. 10, 1951

State	Total	S.M.	J.M.	New (1951)
Georgia	269	201	68	47
Louisiana	237	212	25	26
S. Carolina	211	180	31	26 (o)
Virginia	195	180	15	25 (2)
Alabama	152	129	23	40 (9)
Florida	120	100	20	21
Mississippi	91	59	32	
Texas	90	77	13	8 (3)
N. Carolina	87	76	11	3
Tennessee	77	66	11	5
Kentucky	65	52	13	6
New York	62	53	9	2 J
Arkansas	44	40	4	1
D. C.	18	17	1	1 (o)
Penn.	13	8	5	3 J
Missouri	12	11	1	1
Oklahoma	11	11	---	--
New Jersey	10	10	---	1
Massachusetts	9	6	3	2(o)
Illinois	9	8	1	---
California	8	6	2	1 (o)
Connecticut	8	7	1	1 (o)
Ohio	7	4	3	1 (o)
Maryland	6	5	1	1 (0)
Michigan	4	3	1	
Minnesota	2	1	1	
Misc. ~~Delaware~~	1	1	---	(1)
Foreign ~~Indiana~~	9	9	--	(1)
~~Nebraska~~	1	1	--	--
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Kinsville Falls, N.Y.
2/10/52

The Harvard engagement is definite for Feb. 29. So I would prefer March 7 for the executive committee meeting.

Thanks.

M. A. Wright

Note 2/11/52 says meet on 3/7 —
K.S.

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February 15, 1952

Miss Katherine Stoney
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Stoney:

Just a note to acknowledge the check to cover my expenses to the December SRC convention in Atlanta. I am grateful to you for your kindness.

Sincerely,

L. J. Twomey, S. J.
Director

LJT/grc

MARION A. WRIGHT, LINVILLE FALLS
PRESIDENT
CARTER WESLEY, HOUSTON
VICE-PRESIDENT
GORDON B. HANCOCK, RICHMOND
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April 22, 1953

Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas-Howell Bldg.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Leonard:

It saves a special brief meeting of the Executive Committee before the Board meeting if the members of the Committee will approve ahead of time by mail a report from the Executive Committee to the Board.

A draft of such a report is submitted herewith. If it may have your corrections and amendments and be returned to us with your approval or changes, we will plan to have a final draft ready in time for the Board meeting.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell e.c.

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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no changes!
Leonard Haas

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April 22, 1953

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Mr. Paul R. Christopher
216 Flatiron Bldg.
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Dear Paul:

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Sincerely,

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April 23, 1953

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

In reply to yours of the 22nd, I give my approval to the draft of the Report of the Executive Committee. I can think of nothing that might be added.

I do call attention to two very, very minor errors on the first page, which I am sure were oversights.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Cassandra Maxwell Birnie

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Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I approve the report from the Executive Committee of the Board, although , I regret to say, I was not able to be present.

Sincerely,

Charles S. Johnson

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

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May 13, 1953

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

The Executive Committee has had unusually heavy responsibilities and has held them for an unprecedentedly long time. The by-laws of the Council require an annual meeting of the membership and of the Board of Directors, as you know. At our instance, this is the first such annual meeting since December 1951. True, the by-laws grant to the Executive Committee some months of leeway in fixing the date of each year's meeting. But on our own initiative, we have exceeded that leeway in postponing this meeting until today.

It will be recalled that the December 1951 membership meeting, in reviewing budgetary figures for 1952, did not adopt them as a budget but authorized the Council to be continued from month to month, within the discretion of the Executive Committee. The uncertainty of finances as 1952 drew toward a close led us to put off summoning the Board and the membership, in the hope that it would be possible to consult you at a time when the finances of the Council would be on a stable basis and long-range planning could be undertaken. In part, those conditions are now fulfilled, and we happily at this time turn the conduct of the Council's program back into your hands.

The Executive Committee has met five times since the last meeting of the Board of Directors. The dates were: March 7, May 30, September 27, and December 20 in 1952, and March 21 in 1953.

Program

We have been closely in touch with the staff in a general educational program of the Council. It has been possible to keep New South coming out, and we think there will be agreement that its topics have been well chosen and that its clientele and interest as an organ leading the formation of public opinion in the South have increased steadily. Staff members of the Council have been in demand as speakers for scores of organizations scattered over the South, ranging from business men's luncheon clubs to church bodies, teachers' meetings, and workers' education study groups.

Pamphleteering has suffered from lack of funds, but we saw into the press Race and Law Enforcement, which came out in February of last year. Within a few month, 15,000 copies of this booklet had been distributed to law enforcement officers and interested voluntary agencies throughout the Southern States, and in no less than 143 separate counties, local committees of church women, stimulated by Mrs. Tilly and the Fellowship of the Concerned, have made visits to their sheriffs, booklet in hand, and discussed with him the new levels of police administration described in the pamphlet.

The Council has played a significant part in the three general gatherings of representatives of agencies in the South concerned with human relations, and has done no small part of the research and writing involved in the documents coming out of these meetings, relating successively to blighted housing and bomb violence, the use of racial and religious prejudice in political campaigns, and the issue of segregation in the public schools. These three meetings seem clearly to have established the habit of voluntary cooperation by ten or a dozen leading agencies in this field in the South on matters of program.

We have agreed that in the current year the problem of the schools and the issue of segregation will be paramount in the Council's work, and have made such arrangements as funds seemed to permit for an active effort by the Council to obtain allegiance on the part of the South as a whole to whatever may be the pronouncement of the Supreme Court and to the most rapid possible progress toward a school system defensible in the light of national and world opinion.

Organization

We have reviewed a draft of proposed new by-laws for the Council, worked out in pursuance of the resolution adopted at the December 1951 annual membership meeting, and the new draft will be available to you and to the membership for discussion. We are agreed that the new by-laws represent a desirable form of organization for the Council if and when quite substantial additional funds become available to it. It is not our thought that the new by-laws should at this time be adopted in toto.

We selected two nominating committees, one from the membership to choose nominations for the new Board of Directors and one from your Board to make nominations for officers of the Council for this year.

We record with regret the removal from the region of one of our most valued members, Rev. V. J. O'Connell, who is now a resident of St. Paul, Minnesota.

The increase in prices necessitated consideration of rises in staff salaries. A committee from the Executive Committee, composed of John Griffin, Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie, and Leonard Haas, reviewed the salary structure of the staff in detail and recommended substantial increases, with a salary range for each job from minimum to maximum. On our approval, the minimum figures in the new salary range were adopted and made payable as of January 1 of this year. We are happy to report to you that the salary levels are therefore now at figures which merit comparison with those of other organizations of this general type.

The Council complied fully with all requests for information from the so-called "Cox Committee," which late last year investigated tax-exempt foundations and agencies assisted by their funds. The information request was in laborious detail. We have heard no criticism of the Council resulting from the investigation of tax-exempt agencies in general.

Funds

By the hardest efforts, the Council came through the year 1952 with an excess of income over expenditures. The audit figures reveal for the operating fund (all the Council's work other than special small projects) a total income for 1952 of $34,635.92 and a total expense of $31,378.53, being an excess of income over expense of $3,247.39. This result was achieved notwithstanding the payment during 1952 of the entirety of the debt we owed to Mr. Thomas F. Byrd.

The various projects of the Council had at the close of the year on hand in their accounts the following amounts:

Fellowship of the Concerned	$ 306.28
New South Appropriation	500.52
NCCJ Grant for Travel	13.38
Commission on Equal Penalties	1,261.59
TOTAL	$2,081.77

The audit for 1952, while disclosing balanced books for that year, necessarily recalled that we had entered the year with a deficit of nearly $6,800 for 1951, and we carried over January 1, 1953, accounts payable amounting to nearly $1,900.

General receipts thus far in 1953 in dues, small contributions, subscriptions to New South, and customary organizational grants have held up to previous years. In addition, the Ford Foundation in March 1953 made a grant directly to the Council of $20,000 "to sustain and expand" our program for the current year. This generous emergency grant was made, so far as we learn, without prejudice to the Council's major and longstanding application now before the Fund for the Republic, and we continue to be hopeful that when the Fund for the Republic is fully organized, it will look with favor upon the major request.

Various members of this Committee and many of you on the Board have been helpful to the Council during the last year and a quarter in turning up additional sources of income, and our thanks are given to you all. It should be pointed out, however, that we have reason to believe that whatever major contribution may be made later on to the Council will bear some relationship to the sources of income found during the remainder of this year, and we urge upon the Board as its principal order of business plans for large additional revenue to the Council.

In our correspondence and work with the Council we have all been impressed by the usefulness of the body at this particular juncture in Southern life, and we hope that you can make plans which will insure the much greater development of its activities, particularly in each State and in local communities.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles S. Johnson
Chairman

May 19, 1953

Irene Osborne
American Friends Service Committee
Community Relations Program
104 C St., NE
Washington 2, D. C.

Dear Irene Osborne:

You were the best thing in our meeting.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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May 5, 1953

Mr. George Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 423, 63 Auburn Ave., N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

We are most pleased to have your invitation to the Southern Regional Council meeting on May 14. I'm happy to be able to pack my carpetbag and come, but will have to hurry back as I have a seminar here on May 15.

I'll take a sleeper Wednesday night, arriving at 8:00 A.M. standard time. Your letter does not say how long the meeting will last; I am assuming I will meet the schedule if I plan to stay all day. Therefore, I'm planning to return by plane at 6:35 P.M.

Thanks much! I'm really looking forward to the occasion.

Sincerely yours,

Irene Osborne

Irene Osborne

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CHECK LIST FOR ANNUAL MEETING

Be sure that the 50 copies of the possible amendments to the by-laws are available, both at the meeting of the Board and the membership meeting.

Have small stacks of all 1951 issues of New South available in Exhibition Room of the library for the membership meeting. ✓

Have receipt book available.

Special folders for Paul Williams, GSM, and KS.

Mimeod copies of agenda to be available: (1) Board meeting, Dec. 11, 40 copies; ✓ (2) membership meeting, Dec. 12, 100 copies; ✓ (3) Board meeting, Dec. 12, 30 copies. ✓

KS to arrange at the luncheon special tables or special locations for members of the committee ~~of the Board~~ to nominate Executive ~~and~~ Committee and officers and also special location for members of the Committee or members to nominate members of the Board and also special location for resolutions committee.

Have stack of What Kind of South available, both at Board meeting and at membership meeting. ✓

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October 28, 1948

Mr. David H. Scull
Box 175, Route 1
Annandale, Virginia

Dear Mr. Scull:

I greatly appreciate your kind and thoughtful postcard of October 16.

I really don't know why it is that the Council has always had its annual meeting only at Atlanta. It is an old habit, but not necessarily a good one at all. I think you are quite right, that if we meet here and there over the South, we would gain in interest and membership.

There would be added expense to meeting elsewhere and physical arrangements would be troublesome to work out, but it seems to me the gains would be worth it.

Your suggestion will go to the membership and the Board and will get talked about.

Appreciatively,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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cc: Mrs. McKoy --
Can you please lock things so that this item does get brought up?
GSM

Box 175, Route 1, Annandale, Virginia
October 16, 1948

Dear Friends:

I have been a "member" of the Council for several years, but have really never been more than a subscriber since I am unable to afford the trips to Atlanta for the Annual Meetings. If you have not considered it before, I wonder if you would not at this Annual Meeting consider rotating the location of those sessions among the principal cities of the South. Or perhaps you might meet in the even years at Atlanta, and in the odd years alternate between a city in the northern South like Richmond and a city farther west in Texas or Louisiana. I feel sure that a much larger number of your members would thus be enabled to have at least occasional contact with the organization and its leaders. If this suggestion should lead to action, perhaps you would recognize it by making it Richmond next year? Sincerely yours

David H. Scull

July 3, 1950

Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta, 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Haas:

Many thanks indeed for your kindness in sending us the two forms of bequest.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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June 26, 1950.

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Dr. George S. Mitchell,
Executive Director,
Southern Regional Council,
Room 432,
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Complying with the request contained in your letter of June 26th, the following forms of bequests may be used by the Council:

"I give and bequeath to Southern Regional Council, a Corporation of Fulton County, Georgia, the sum of $_____, for its general purposes (or for a special purpose, if desired)."

If it is intended to give real estate or other property the following form may be used:

"I give, bequeath and devise to Southern Regional Council, a Corporation of Fulton County, Georgia, the following property, for its general purposes (or for a special purpose, if desired): - - - -"

Trusting that the foregoing will prove satisfactory to the Executive Committee, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Leonard Haas

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Leonard Haas.

December 20, 1950

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
March 3, 1951 - 10: a.m.

A G E N D A

Invocation

Unfinished business

Minutes of Meeting, December 16, 1950

Report of the Executive Director

Finance Report

Libel

Forms of bequests

Press and Radio

New Business

Membership Report

Method of Discussion of Foundation Appeal

Adjournment

Lunch 12:30

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

March 3, 1951

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council met at 10 A.M., March 3, 1951, in the Council offices, 63 Auburn Ave., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. Charles S. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee, presided, and the following members were present: Paul R. Christopher, Rufus E. Clement, Leonard Haas, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Guy B. Johnson, Paul D. Williams, and Marion A. Wright.

Staff members present were: Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Norma Huff, George S. Mitchell, Elizabeth Rogers, and Mrs. M. E. Tilly.

The invocation was given by Mr. Williams.

In closed executive session before being joined by the staff, the Committee had approved the salary adjustments recommended in the budget submitted to the 1950 annual meeting.

Minutes

Dr. Mitchell reported that the four issues tentatively approved by the non-quorum Executive Committee meeting in December had been approved by the entire Committee when circulated by mail. One item omitted from the minutes of that meeting -- Mr. Wright's suggestion that Mr. Williams appear on the radio to appeal for funds, and that friendly newspapers be enlisted to campaign for funds for the Council — had been added as an amendment. Reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

Upon motion,

1. IT WAS VOTED that the minutes as amended be adopted.

Report of the Executive Director

Dr. Mitchell reported on foundation contacts; recent travel on behalf of the Council; the death of Mr. G. D. Rogers, a member of the Board of Directors; the intended resignation of Mr. Mynders as chairman of the Tennessee Division; his own forthcoming trip to Louisiana; and Mr. Arthur Mitchell's series of meetings with Council members and his fund-raising trip to Texas.

The Committee directed that resolutions of condolence be sent in its name to Mrs. G. D. Rogers.

Dr. Guy Johnson reported on the successful organization of the North Carolina Division at a meeting in February. Because of the small attendance, election of officers was to be conducted by mail.

Financial Report

The Secretary-Treasurer reviewed finances for the year 1950 and the first two months of 1951. She stated that, because of the illness of the accountant, the audit had not been completed and therefore the figures were only approximately accurate.

The following is a summary of the Report.

Sources of Income: January 1 - December 31, 1950

Contributions:		
Church sources	$ 5,649.00	
Foundations	9,600.00	
Other sources	17,009.00	$32,258.00
Membership dues		4,997.00
Sale of Literature		1,075.00
Honoraria		586.00
New South Subscriptions		488.00
TOTAL INCOME		$39,404.00

Cash Disbursements: Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1950 $39,717.00

Accounts Payable - December 31, 1950

Current indebtedness		$2,376.49
Loans: George S. Mitchell	$1,500.00	
Thomas F. Byrd	6,000.00	7,500.00
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE		$9,876.49

For the first two months of 1951, the figures were as follows:

Total income	$7,136.00
Total cash disbursements	6,060.00
Accounts payable	8,529.00

A revised estimate of income for the remaining ten months of 1951 was submitted, totalling $22,200.00, and a revised twelve-months budget for 1951, as follows:

Salaries	$23,920.00
Travel	4,400.00
Office supplies	1,300.00
Rent	1,560.00
Postage	1,300.00
Tel and Tel	800.00
Miscellaneous	400.00
Interest	325.00
Audit	135.00
Bank Charges	10.00
Expenses of meetings	50.00
Corporate registration fee	1.00
Printing	4,500.00
TOTAL	$38,701.00

The recapitulation showed the following figures:

Recapitulation, 1951

Estimated expenditures, 1951	$38,701.00
Less expenditures Jan. and Feb.	- 6,060.00
Estimated expenditures remaining ten months	32,641.00
Less, available for projects, and cash on hand	- 4,600.00
Total operating money to be found for remainder of 1951	28,041.00
Plus "standing debt," Feb. 28, 1951	7,939.00
	35,978.00
Less estimated income remainder of 1951	- 22,200.00
Shortfall	13,778.00
Probable additional foundation grants	- 3,000.00
Total needed to be raised to end year debt free	$10,778.00

Members of the Committee expressed pleasure at the sums which had reached the Council in the last two or three months and the consequent improvement in the Council's financial position.

Mrs. Huff read a membership report as of February 28, 1951, showing 2,830 members and associate members, of whom 1,272 were delinquent in dues.

The report on the 50 for '51 campaign, as of February 28, 1951, showed 142 new Sustaining Members; the goal had been 5,000. Leading states were Mississippi with 19, South Carolina with 18, and Georgia with 17.

At the request of members of the Committee, it was agreed that comparative yearly figures should be furnished in the future.

A variety of promising suggestions regarding fund-raising were made by Mr. Christopher, Mr. Clement, Mr. Haas, Dr. Charles Johnson, Dr. Guy Johnson, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Wright.

Discussion turned to the recommendation made to the annual meeting that if some $15,000.00 of new money were not in sight by March 15, consideration should be given to putting the Council on a liquidation basis. The

Committee, taking note of the better financial prospects, authorized continuance of the Council through the next meeting of the Committee in June.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

2. IT WAS VOTED that the revised budget for the ten-month period from March through December, 1951, as presented at this meeting, be adopted.

Discussion turned to the debt to Mr. Byrd. Dr. Mitchell described conversations with Mr. Byrd in which the latter agreed to accept two stated-term, interest-bearing notes in place of the present one. Upon motion,

3. IT WAS VOTED that the matter of the Byrd notes be left to Mr. Haas, Mr. Williams, and Dr. Mitchell.

On the matter of the libel of the Council in the Augusta Courier, after some discussion,

4. IT WAS VOTED that the Committee extend its thanks to the Executive Director for having called the matter to its attention, but that no legal action be taken.

The Committee recommended that the form for bequests prepared by Mr. Haas be sent out as an insert with a future mailing of New South.

After considerable discussion of the possibilities of making wider use of the press and radio in getting the Council better known and supported, it was agreed that careful inquiry should be made into the possibilities of radio and television broadcasts discussing the South's responsibilities for its problems, and its opportunities. It was Mr. Wright's desire that Paul Williams be featured on any such radio or television programs.

Dr. Clement and others suggested ways in which the Council might lessen the expense of sending New South to delinquent members. The Committee recommended that delinquent members not be carried longer than two years. Dr. Charles Johnson urged that Council members be asked to send in names of friends they thought would be interested in joining.

The matter of the pending application to a major foundation was presented. On motion, duly seconded,

5. IT WAS VOTED that the Special Committee /to meet in the afternoon/ be authorized to pass on the appeal, with full power to act.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at ~~4:30~~ 12:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

5/9/51

GSM:

Looks like Exec. Comm. meeting could be either 23 or 30. — Which do you think?

NH

June 30.

EMM.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
June

	16	23	30	
Paul Christopher		X		
Dr. Clement			X	
Leonard Haas		X		
Grace Hamilton	X	X	X	
Dr. Hancock	X			
Charles Johnson			X	
Guy Johnson	3	1	2	- doubts if he can come at all
Msgr. McNamara			X	
John Wheeler				
Carter Wesley			X	
Paul Williams				
Marion Wright	X	X	X	- prefers 16th
Dr. Trigg		1	2	
		6	7	

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting. June 30, 1951. 10 A. M.

The meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council was held at the headquarters of the Y. W. C. A., 37 Auburn Ave., N. E., Atlanta, Ga., June 30, 1951. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 A. M.

In the absence of both Dr. Charles Johnson, Chairman of the Executive Committee, and Paul Williams, President of the Council, Marion Wright took the chair.

The invocation was given by Mr. Trigg.

Members present were: Paul R. Christopher, Rufus E. Clement, Leonard Haas, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Harold L. Trigg, and Marion A. Wright. Mr. Clement could not be present after the first hour.

Staff members present were: Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Norma Huff, George S. Mitchell, Elizabeth Rogers, Katherine Stoney, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, and Emory Via. Mr. Galen R. Weaver, of the Race Relations Department of the Congregational Church, attended a part of the meeting as the guest of Dr. Mitchell.

On motion, duly seconded,

1. IT WAS VOTED that reading of the minutes of the March 3 Executive Committee be dispensed with.

Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

The Committee heard the Report of the Secretary-Treasurer, as follows:

STATEMENT OF INCOME
March-June 22, 1951

				1950
Contributions:				
Church Sources:				
Methodist:				
Div. of Home Missions & Ch. Extension	$ 500.00			
Woman's Div. of Chr. Service	1,100.00			
W.S.C.S.				
Ky. Conference	25.00			
Fla. Conference	25.00			
Holston Conference	25.00	$1,675.00		
Presbyterian, U. S.:				
Bd. of Church Extension		200.00		
Christian:				
Southern Christian Institute		25.00	$1,900.00	$ 640.00
Organization Sources:				
Agnes Scott Student Assn.		2.50		
Emory University Community Chest		218.04		
I.L.G.W.U.		500.00		
Prairie View (Tex.) Community Chest		25.00		
Mentzer-Bush Publishing Co.		200.00		
Cultural Club, Columbia, S. C.		10.00	955.54	1,709.90
Foundation Sources:				
Sigmund Silberman Foundation		300.00		
William C. Whitney Foundation		500.00		
Sidney Hillman Fund		2,500.00		
Chr. Serv. Foundation		100.00	3,400.00	1,100.00
Individual Contributions			1,024.72	6,705.03
Total Contributions			7,180.26	10,154.93
Other Income:				
Dues		1,979.68		2,257.00
New South Subscriptions		147.83		97.06
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature		366.87		352.46
Honoraria		75.00	2,569.38	150.00
TOTAL INCOME			$9,749.64	$13,011.45

STATEMENT OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS
March-June 22, 1951

		1951	1950
Salaries		$ 6,293.19	$ 7,451.49
Printing, New South & Literature		1,932.78	1,547.45
Travel		832.06	1,576.60
Withholding Tax		1,306.98	823.65
Ga. Sales Tax on Lit. Sales		2.05	
Office Supplies		300.36	695.33
Rent		380.00	390.00
Postage		359.71	526.72
Telephone and Telegraph		240.82	402.20
Audit		165.00	100.00
Books and Subscriptions		10.05	71.40
Bank Charges		3.36	13.65
Conference Fee		10.00	
Meeting Luncheon		11.83	
Press Clipping Service			103.50
Insurance			9.00
State Divisions:			
Alabama	$142.00		
Arkansas	12.50		
Florida	140.00		
Kentucky	62.50		
Louisiana	68.50		
Mississippi	54.50		
New Orleans Com.	45.00		
South Carolina	173.00		
Tennessee	75.25	865.25	310.25
North Carolina	92.00		
		$12,713.44	$14,020.24

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
June 22, 1951

Salary:			
George S. Mitchell		$ 937.50	
Office Supplies:			
Elliott Addressing Machine Co.	3.30		
Gershon Printing & Office Supply Co.	93.99		
Tidwell Company	16.50		
Office Supply Co.	7.59	121.38	
Printing:			
Stein Printing Company		351.15	
Withholding Taxes—June 22, 1951 (due July 1)		207.03	
State Divisions:			
Alabama	18.00		
Arkansas	1.50		
Florida	10.50		
Kentucky	1.50		
Mississippi	3.00		
New Orleans Committee	6.00		
North Carolina	6.00		
South Carolina	12.00		
Tennessee	14.50	73.00	$1,654.06
Loans Payable:			
George S. Mitchell		1,500.00	
Thomas F. Byrd		4,500.00	6,000.00
TOTAL			$7,654.06

Total Liabilities, June 1, 1951 $11,621.34

SRC SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Balance as of June 22, 1951

Fellowship of the Concerned	$1,274.46
New South	1,186.95
National Sharecroppers Fund	181.22
Home Town Self-Survey	792.68
	$3,435.31

COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR YEARS 1945-1950

	1950	1949	1948	1947	1946	1945
TOTAL INCOME	39,111.46	53,033.71	42,825.00	55,744.45	56,744.45	62,257.79
TOTAL EXPENSES	41,120.38	46,318.38	49,497.96	60,952.17	49,217.00	52,773.37
TOTAL LIABILITIES	14,278.17	6,523.79	7,652.02	6,155.89		
EXCESS OF EXPENSES OVER INCOME	2,008.92		6,672.34	5,022.34		
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENSES		6,715.33			7,527.45	948.42
DEFICIT—Dec. 31	10,450.31	8,441.39	12,156.72	5,483.76		

1951

Income, January-June 22	$16,886.00
Budget for half year	19,350.00

Mrs. Huff Stated that thus far the 50 for '51 campaign had brought in only 227 ten-dollar members,

Report of the Executive Director

The Executive Director reviewed his speaking engagements at various points, including luncheon meetings of the American Jewish Committee chapters at Memphis, Dallas, and Houston. He referred to Mrs. Tilly's trip with other church women to Charleston to be present at the lawsuit there on segregation in the Clarendon County schools.

Reference was made to the return to the NCCJ of the $500 granted by them to aid a self-survey at Rock Hill, S. C. As it appeared that Rock Hill would not do its survey in the near future, the grant had been returned to NCCJ and had in the last day or two been re-granted to the Council as advance

payment for travel through the South to encourage additional community self-surveys.

Dr. Mitchell reported that the original debt to Mr. Byrd had been reduced to $4,500 and that the Council's present note to him for that sum matures December 31, 1951

He reported that the National Sharecroppers Fund had postponed payment of the remainder of its original $1500 grant until next fall. This causes a complication because, meanwhile, the Council has undertaken to pay for completion of a draft of a pamphlet on farm tenure legislation, but it was to be hoped that final payment of the grant from the National Sharecroppers Fund will cover printing costs later on.

Dr. Mitchell reported receipt of a grant of $500 from the ILGWU, $2500 from the Sidney Hillman Fund, and official grants from the Northern and Southern Presbyterians. A request had been made to the Episcopal Church for a grant of $1000. Other requests pending are to the United Steelworkers and United Automobile Workers.

Plans have been made to appeal in the autumn to many Southern Colleges to assist the Council through student community chests.

Reference was made to a recent request made to the Marshall Field Fund for a pamphlet on police administration.

The staff explained also the proposal now being developed for impanelling a South-wide commission on unequal penalties under law. It was believed that a commission of twelve or fifteen members, empowered to engage its own small staff and to convene several times, could explore the whole field of unequal penalties and report its recommendations to the South. There is grounds for believing that the South could be persuaded in a few years' time greatly to alter its present practice in that regard.

Dr. Mitchell forecast income for the remainder of the year at approximately $12,000.

Various correspondence in connection with the appeal to the Ford Foundation was reviewed with the Committee.

Council Reorganization

Discussion turned to the matter of reorganization of the Board of Directors. Dr. Mitchell reviewed the proposals made at the last annual meeting for collapsing the Board and Executive Committee into a single 17- or 19-man Executive Board, the ultimate governing body still to be the annual membership meeting. He pointed out that the Committee might well consider the whole matter in the light of the possibility of substantial financial support. There is always the possibility that a widespread membership organization never well enough in touch with its membership may be veered off its normal course by a small group of members at one of the annual meetings. Dr. Mitchell thought it wise to consider asking the state organizations to pick up and cultivate closely the existing membership of the Council within the state, the Council itself to become a self-perpetuating Board. Such a Board might b e composed of fifty-odd members, including the chairman and vice-chairman of each cooperating state organization. This would make it possible for each state to pursue pretty much its own pace, the Council cooperating; whereas at present it is difficult for the Council to assist in the more advanced states when other component organizations within the Council are not so far along. The central office of the Council under such an arrangement would play an important part in the selection of personnel by the State Divisions; it would continue to publish a journal for the benefit of all members of State Divisions, and it would serve as a central organization for research interpretation.

It was recalled that the reorganization plan discussed in 1950 contemplated a fifty-man advisory committee. The suggestion was made that a more extensive reorganization might gear in with the plan of reorganization advanced last year, if the 50-man advisory committee were selected with the possibility in mind that it might become substantially the governing body of the Council under some further reorganization.

After some discussion,

2. IT WAS VOTED that Mr. Williams be asked to appoint a nominating committee to prepare three lists of nominations based upon the three contingencies--simple replacement of Board members whose terms expire this year; collapse of the Board and Executive Committee into an Executive Board and the appointment of a fifty-man Advisory Committee; or the setting up of a self-perpetuating Board.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

3. IT WAS VOTED that the Council be authorized to continue operations at the present level.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

4. IT WAS VOTED that the next annual meeting be held November 14, 1951, at ten o'clock at Atlanta University.

The details of arrangements for the manner of the meeting were left to the President of the Council.

Staff Changes

Mrs. Norma Huff having resigned as Secretary-Treasurer effective June 30, her letter of resignation was read to the Committee, which accepted the resignation with great regret and warm thanks for her faithful services. The Executive Director recommended as interim replacement, Miss Katherine Stoney, formerly of Winston-Salem and now of Atlanta. The Executive Committee approved her appointment as Acting Secretary-Treasurer, pending confirmation at the November Board meeting.

The Executive Director introduced Mr. Emory Via, who is acting in a temporary capacity as Research Assistant until a permanent Research and Survey Assistant can be secured.

Letter to Three Governors

Mr. Fleming read the "Letter to Three Southern Governors" proposed for inclusion in the next issue of New South.

After luncheon adjournment, the Committee reconvened and discussed at some length the proposed open letter. One or two members questioned the wisdom of addressing the letter directly to the governors, on the ground that it might give them unnecessary publicity, but after discussion the letter was approved with several minor changes.

Mr. Christopher raised the question of the desirability of including in future issues of New South or other Council publications more material which would be readily appreciated by average working people in the South.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Norma Huff,
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting. Oct. 26, 1951. 10 A. M.

The meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council was held at the Council offices, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE, Atlanta, Georgia, October 26, 1951.

Members present were: Marion A. Wright, Leonard Haas, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Paul R. Christopher, Paul D. Williams, and Rufus E. Clement. Staff members present were: George S. Mitchell, Harold C. Fleming, Katherine Stoney, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Anna Holden, Emily Calhoun, and Mrs. Adella Shields.

Before the meeting was called to order, Dr. Mitchell gave a report on recent attempts to secure funds for establishing a Southern Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law. Members of the Commission would be distinguished Southern leaders of both races, who would be authorized to hire a small research staff to compile for them the penalties, by race, for crimes committed in various Southern States over a period of years. The Commission would then publish its findings, together with recommendations as to how these practices should be altered. Dr. Mitchell added that he had been told informally that the $6,000 to $8,000 necessary to set up such a Commission could be had--half in the North and half in the South. He further said that in November he should be able to travel out in the various States and consult as to who ought to be on the Commission.

There followed some discussion as to the possibility of having law students in various Southern States do some of the needed research. It was agreed that it would be well to investigate this possibility.

Mr. Wright presided until Mr. Williams arrived.

Mrs. Tilly gave the invocation.

Report of the Executive Director

The Executive Director introduced the following new staff members: Emily Calhoun, secretary to the Executive Director; Anna Holden, research assistant, who is to travel to various towns over the South soon on behalf of the self-survey; and Mrs. Adella Shields, membership secretary.

Items reviewed were: the plans of Mrs. Tilly for the Fellowship of the Concerned to meet with its supporters State by State, in lieu of holding a single Southwide meeting of the Fellowship this year; the status and plans of the State Divisions or cooperating Interracial Committees in Alabama, South Carolina, Arkansas, Tennessee, Louisiana, Kentucky, Florida, Georgia, and Texas; the Council's commitment to do a lengthy article in the forthcoming Negro Year Book on race relations in the South for 1950-51; the substantial commitment of time involved in entertaining and informing foreign visitors; summer travel for speaking engagements; the prospects for our getting out a pamphlet on race and law enforcement; Dr. Harry Richardson's effort, in cooperation with Mr. Benjamin Mays and Mr. A. T. Walden, in raising a substantial sum for the Council (now about $700); efforts to get campus community chests to help the Council; indications that the U. S. Treasury is tightening up on tax-exempt organizations; and the status of the Council's request to the Ford Foundation.

Additionally, Dr. Mitchell reported that Mr. Thomas F. Byrd, to whom the Council is indebted, had lately been paid $550 on principal, plus all interest for 1951. This action had reduced the Council's total indebtedness to Mr. Byrd to $3,950, and Mr. Byrd had agreed to renew the note, due December 31, 1951, for another six months. The circumstances under which the gift of $5,000 had been received through the American Friends Service Committee were reviewed; and the resignation of Mr. John H. Wheeler as Vice-President of the Council, because of inability to give what he deemed

a proper amount of time to the organization, was discussed and directed to be presented to the Board at its December meeting.

Mr. Williams reported on additional funds which he thought would be reaching the Council before the end of the year.

Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

Miss Stoney, Acting Secretary-Treasurer, after recalling that monthly statements of financial condition had been sent to members of the Executive Committee, made the following report: (See attached.)

Mr. Wright requested that the Council make every effort to reduce its indebtedness to the Executive Director (life insurance loan, $1,500).

Mr. Clement, Mr. Wright, Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Haas all offered suggestions as to further sources of support. The members of the Committee were united in wishing that the remaining copy of the exhibit prepared for the Ford Foundation should be shown to other persons who might assist the Council, and there was some feeling that an additional copy of the exhibit should be prepared.

Mr. Fleming reported on the publications and public opinion efforts of the Council, reviewing the influence of the "Letter to Three Southern Governors" and the June issue of New South on "Negro Municipal Workers."

Unfinished Business

Mr. Fleming read aloud the Statement of Policy and Aims, prepared by the staff in accordance with the suggestions of the Special Committee. It was recalled that the Executive Committee had commissioned the Special Committee on Policy to ready such a statement for the next meeting of the Board, and the views of members of the Executive Committee were requested on the statement.

A variety of detailed suggestions were made, and they will be incorporated in the altered draft to be circulated again to members of the Special Committee.

New Business

Various members discussed the alternatives for a more suitable organizational structure of the Council in the event that substantial enlargement of the Council's work should become possible, and Mr. Williams was authorized to appoint a special committee of the Executive Committee to prepare possible by-laws for consideration in that event. (After the meeting Mr. Williams appointed as members of this committee: Mr. Leonard Haas, chairman; Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton; and Mr. Gordon Hancock.)

Mr. Williams informed the Committee that it was his wish that this should be his last year as President of the Council, saying that as he had served six years, he thought it right that the responsibility move on now to other shoulders.

In a discussion of possible future reorganization of the Council, there was general agreement that if the Council finds itself in a position to assist constituent State organizations, it should not provide simple annual cash grants, but should be able to require from cooperating organizations policy conformity to the general purposes of the Council.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

63 AUBURN AVENUE, NE

ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

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ok. G. S. Johnson 12/4/51

November 30, 1951

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Your Executive Committee has met four times since the last meeting of the Board of Directors. The meetings were held, respectively, in December, 1950; March, June, and October, 1951.

As directed by the 1950 membership meeting, the Executive Committee advised the president in the appointment of a Special Policy Committee to review SRC policy and program and make a special report thereon to the 1951 meeting. The Committee so appointed consisted of: Charles S. Johnson, chairman; Marion A. Wright; Harry V. Richardson; Harold L. Trigg; Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton; Howard W. Odum; John A. Griffin; Morris Abram; A. W. Dent; Vincent J. O'Connell. Their next report will be made in due course to you.

On matters of staff, we regretfully accepted, on your behalf, the resignation of Mrs. Norma Huff as secretary-treasurer and approved the appointment of Miss Katherine Stoney as acting secretary-treasurer, pending confirmation by your meeting.

We also gave consent to participation by the Southern Regional Council in the Old-Age Benefit Plan of the new Federal Security Act, at an estimated net additional cost to the SRC for the year 1951 of $352.50.

We arranged that the grant from the Marshall Field Foundation toward publication of New South be used for issues on a monthly basis.

On finances, we used our best efforts toward reducing the Council's indebtedness and meeting its current bills for this year. The secretary-treasurer's report will make plain that the standing indebtedness has been reduced from $7,500 to slightly under $5,500; and on operating account the Council is, of today, virtually without indebtedness.

We have supervised closely the preparation of an appeal to the Ford Foundation, in which work, also, we have had the assistance of the Special Committee on Policy and Program. The Ford appeal and extensive exhibits to accompany it went forward to the Foundation in late May of this year. Various of the Committee and their friends have endeavored to expedite a favorable decision from the Ford Foundation. If the request is granted, it would enable the Council to set going a really active program in each Southern State, with paid personnel in a dozen State offices working through State SRC members toward accomplishment, locally and in detail, of the Council's objective of equal opportunity for all. The State programs would be assisted and coordinated with a small staff in a central office, engaged in research interpretation and publication of a bulletin useful in all the offices and to the members, and generally encouraging and inter-relating the work of the various State movements.

This annual meeting marks the end of the second year in which the Council has carried on without benefit of any substantial lump sum grant, such as the Council had fortunately received for each year from its beginning through 1949. It has been an extremely difficult matter to find replacement for the missing annual backlog grant of roughly $25,000. The gap has been met by reduction two years ago of the Council's rate of expenditure by $12,000 or $15,000; by inducing an increasing number of the Council's members to become sustaining members, at ten dollars a year; by getting additional support from major church bodies; through help obtained in sums of $1,000 or $2,000 from several foundations; and enlarging our support from trade unions.

Your Committee is grateful that, through its own efforts and the work of the staff and through the generosity of many friends, it has been possible to carry forward the Council's work in this way. But we are sensible of the undue devotion of time to fund-raising efforts, and are anxious that means be found to release the full energies of us all to program, and more particularly, for the very great expansion of the Council's work in this present period when informed and temperate leadership can so greatly speed and ease the South's transition to full democracy.

Chairman of the Executive Committee

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

63 AUBURN AVENUE, NE

ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

November 30, 1951

TO MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Every year we have gone through the hocus-pocus of convening the Executive Committee for fifteen minutes before the annual meeting of the Board, to approve the Executive Committee's report to the Board.

If you can approve this by mail or make some changes, and then return it to me, it should be possible to avoid having a meeting of the Executive Committee December 11.

We will hope for you to be present at the Board meeting December 11, 10:00 A. M., in the Board Room at Atlanta University.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec
Encl.

Rec'd - Dec 11, 1951

Mechanics and Farmers Bank

Durham, North Carolina

J. H. WHEELER
VICE-PRESIDENT-CASHIER

December 7, 1951

Dr. George H. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Although I wrote you sometime ago expressing my desire to be relieved of my official position as Vice President of the Council, I had hoped to be able to attend the annual meeting to be held this week, if for no other reason than to assure you of my continued interest in the work of the council.

It appears now that it will be impossible for me to get away from the bank this week and that I shall miss the opportunity of attending the meeting.

This letter comes to assure you again that I have not changed my position in this matter. My duties at the bank and with other corporations here in Durham are such that I have not been able to do the kind of job I should like to do for the Council. It seems proper that we should try to fill the official positions in the Council with persons who can do an effective job for it and I am hoping that we may be able to find such a person to take my place.

I am still interested in the program of the Council and its method of approach to the problems facing us in the south. Above all, I retain the same high regard for you as Executive Director of the Council and wish to assure you that I shall be happy to serve you and the Council whenever called upon to do so.

Sincerely yours,

J. H. Wheeler
Vice President-Cashier

JHW/r

P S My check for $25 for membership dues for Mrs. Wheeler and me, is enclosed.

Card sent K.S.
12/14/51
K.S.

MECHANICS AND FARMERS BANK

DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA.

October 4, 1951

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Miss Katherine Stoney
Acting Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Stoney:

This will acknowledge receipt of your notice that December 12 is the date of the annual membership meeting.

Mr. Wheeler is out of the city, but this letter comes to advise that according to his present itinerary, he will be able to attend this meeting. If it should develop that he cannot be present, you will be advised immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Vivian Rogers

Vivian Rogers
Secretary to Mr. Wheeler

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

1951 Membership Meeting

December 12, 1951 Atlanta, Georgia

AGENDA

1. Invocation

2. Minutes of meeting of November 7, 1950

3. Report of Secretary-Treasurer

4. Report of the Executive Director

5. Introduction of staff

6. Report of the President

7. Luncheon interval

8. Report of Special Committee on Policy and Program

9. Discussion and Action

10. Amendments to By-laws

11. Resolutions

12. New business

13. Report of Committee to nominate members of the Board of Directors

14. Other business

15. Adjournment

	BUDGET FOR 1951*	ESTIMATED EXPENSE FOR 1951**	PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1952
Salaries	23,920.	22,812.03	26,200.
Social Security		263.76	300.
Rent	1,560.	1,560.00	1,560.
Printing	4,500.	4,673.67	5,000.
Travel	4,400.	3,331.12	4,000.
Office Supplies	1,300.	850.66	1,000.
Postage	1,300	893.54	1,100.
Telephone & Telegraph	800.	780.75	900.
Books & Subscriptions		156.58	175.
Audit	135.	272.50	150.
Interest Expense	325.	302.51	200.
Meeting Expense	50.	51.85	50.
Miscellaneous	410.	155.00	200.
	38,700	36,103.97	40,835.

* As revised and approved by Executive Committee, Feb. 1951

** 11 months actual, 12th month estimated

The proposed budget for 1952 contemplates a per-month expenditure of	$3,400.00
Estimated revenue in sight for 1952 is $17,500 or a per-month revenue of	1,400.00
Estimated monthly short-fall	$2,000.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

December 12, 1951

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council was held in the Conference Room of the Administration Building, Atlanta University, at 10:10 a. m., Wednesday, December 12, 1951. Mr. Paul D. Williams, president, presided. Dr. Gordon Hancock gave the invocation.

The following members were present:

Mr. Paul D. Williams
Mr. Leonard Haas
Rev. John Long
Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Mr. Marion A. Wright
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Mr. J. M. Dabbs
Mr. Paul R. Christopher
Mr. A. T. Butler
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
Dr. Harold L. Trigg
Mr. John Griffin
Dr. Forrester B. Washington
Mr. C. H. Parrish
Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Mr. Arthur W. Mitchell
Rev. L. J. Twomey
Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Mr. R. D. Wellons + Mrs -
Mrs. E. U. Robinson
Rev. D. Swan Haworth
Dr. A. W. Dent
Dr. Benjamin E. Mays

The following staff members were present:

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Miss Katherine Stoney
Miss Anna Holden
Miss Emily Calhoun

On motion, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

At the request of Mr. Williams, Mr. Wright read the attached report of the Executive Committee to the Board of Directors. On motion, it was voted to approve the report of the Executive Committee.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

The acting secretary-treasurer, Miss Katherine Stoney, gave the attached report. She pointed out the substantial reduction of indebtedness during the past year.

Current membership was given at 1,836, including 1,541 single and 295 joint members. New members during 1951 totaled 225. On the ten-dollar membership campaign, a total of 219 individuals had sent in contributions of that amount or more during the year. Members are now being dropped if dues are unpaid for a total of two years, though every effort is made to get them to renew their membership.

NEW SOUTH

The Executive Director reviewed the principal topics covered in New South during the year as an index to the Council's interests and activities. Much attention had been given to enlarging democratic practices in government in the South; to safety of the person; to police matters; to the breakdown of segregation in the colleges; to housing; to agricultural problems; and to the work of the Fellowship of the Concerned.

STATE DIVISIONS AND AFFILIATED INTERRACIAL COMMITTEES

Some review was made of the status of the State Divisions, which have shown most activity in Mississippi, South Carolina, Alabama, and Florida. Dr. Mitchell also reported on conferences with representatives of the Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation, who plan to raise money for paid staff and push their program, in continued association with the Southern Regional Council.

The Tennessee Division, it was reported, has ceased to function, but has not been formally dissolved. The Southern Regional Council retains at the Atlanta office a sum of $218, held in trust for the Tennessee Division. By authorization of the chairman of the Division, one-half of the dues from Tennessee members is no longer deducted for the Tennessee Division.

MANUAL ON POLICE PRACTICES

On future program, whether or not substantial new support is found, the Executive Director recommended that we get out a police manual and bring to bear our friendly connections over the South to improve, through its use, police practices.

COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES IN COURTS OF LAW

The executive director proposed that we impanel a Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law, with a view to getting a widespread movement in the South to drop the old discriminatory practices.

Father Twomey, Mr. Dent, Mr. Clement, Mr. Williams, and others made helpful suggestions as to a Commission on Equal Penalties, and on motion, it was voted that the executive director proceed to raise such funds as might be obtainable to conduct in the South a Commission on Equal Penalties in the Courts, upon such terms as the Commission may determine.

Upon further motion, it was voted that the Executive Committee be empowered to make the appointment of personnel for the Commission, the Executive Committee being free to establish the number of members of the Commission.

FINANCIAL POSSIBILITIES

Dr. Mitchell discussed with the Board the prospects for substantial foundation aid. He pointed out that without such aid it would be exceedingly difficult to carry forward the Council's work in the coming year. "We have now completed," he said, "two full years without any substantial backlog of foundation support; and the problem of raising the funds needed to keep the organization, even at its present level, becomes increasingly difficult. For the coming year

we can foresee as expectable income no more than $17,500, and the organization cannot keep going usefully on less than about $40,000 for the next year."

Mr. Williams, Father Twomey, Mr. Davidson, Dr. Washington, Dr. Mays, Mr. Haas, Mr. Wellons, Dr. Johnson, and others discussed ways of raising money. Several speakers emphasized the value of obtaining additional contributions from labor sources. The executive director stated that he had estimated probable receipts from labor next year at $2,000, but was hopeful that more than that could be obtained.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

Mr. Fleming reported on news coverage during the year of the Council's activities. In addition to routine coverage of various Council events, he reported that we had had widespread wire service coverage of some twelve major stories during the year. The greatest attention had been given to the "Letter to Three Southern Governors," published in New South in July. Mr. Fleming gave it as his view that the Council's publicity can be credited in considerable part to the friendship and interest of newspaper people in our work.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON POLICY AND PROGRAM

Mr. Williams called on Mr. Wright to read the report of the Special Committee on Policy and Program, appointed at the direction of the 1950 annual meeting.

The statement submitted by the Special Committee was discussed at some length and approved by the Board in the attached form.

POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

The executive director laid before the Board the alternatives as to amendments to the by-laws to accomplish any desired change in the governing bodies of the Council. He described these as:

1. Reducing the Board to a single, small Executive Board to serve in place of both the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee.

2. Bringing the Board up to full strength under the present by-laws, and by amendment to the by-laws constitute the Board as a self-perpetuating body, it to be the Southern Regional Council. In that event, the present members of the Council, other than Board members, would become members of their appropriate State organizations, which would be affiliated with the Council but would lose policy control over the Board of Directors of SRC.

3. As an intermediate stage it might be possible to constitute a small Executive Board with a seventy-man Advisory Committee. In the event of future reorganization like that given under (2), above, the Advisory Committee might become the Board of Directors, which in turn might select some such body as the Executive Board for its interim business.

4. Proceed for the time being without major changes, and either bring the Board of Directors under the present by-laws up to its full strength of 72 elected members, or merely fill ten or a dozen of the existing vacancies.

After discussion of the various proposals, Dr. Mitchell read a draft of a resolution which might be presented to the membership meeting. On motion, it was voted to recommend the resolution in a somewhat altered form, as follows:

In the event that the Southern Regional Council receives substantial additional financial support, the resultant strengthening of the State organizations and the heightened emphasis on State action programs will make advisable substantial changes in the structure of the Council.

The membership of the Council, assembled in this meeting of December 12, authorizes the Executive Committee to draft by-laws to accomplish the following changes, such by-laws to take effect when and if approved by a majority vote of the current membership of the Council, polled by mail:

1. Individual membership in the regional organization to be confined to the Board of Directors, and that body to be given power to fill its vacancies, up to a limit of about 50 elected members, by its own selection.

2. Existing State Divisions of the Council to continue (either under that name or under some other approved by them and by or on behalf of the Board of Directors of SRC) as bodies governed by voting memberships within their respective States and affiliated with the Council.

3. In States where no State Divisions exist, agreements to be approved by or on behalf of the Board of Directors with existing or newly established organizations.

4. All State organizations affiliated with the Council to operate under by-laws approved by them and by or on behalf of the Board, and within general policies laid down by the Board. Each approved State organization to have its two principal officers sit ex officio on the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council, with voice and vote.

5. The regional organization to have authority to assist State Divisions and other affiliated State organizations in the employment of paid personnel and in the development of program.

6. The regional organization to carry forward a program of public information, research interpretation, and coordination of the activities of the State organizations.

ELECTION OF STAFF

The executive director and secretary-treasurer having withdrawn, the Board proceeded to confirm them for the coming year. Upon the recommendation of Dr. Mitchell, the Board also voted to increase the salaries of the secretary-treasurer, director of information, research assistant, and membership secretary, effective January 1, 1952. On motion, the president was authorized to appoint a committee of three from the Executive Committee, empowered to increase the salary of the executive director should the finances of the corporation make that possible.

RESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT

Mr. Williams announced his retirement as president of the Council, stating that he had put in six full years, and that he thought the job of president should rotate. He added that he would continue to support the organization

in every way possible, but that he desired that the presidency move on now to other hands.

Mr. Clement moved a standing vote of thanks to Mr. Williams, which was unanimously adopted.

Several members expressed concern as to the leadership of the Council during the coming year, and it was agreed that the nominating committee would meet at 9:30 the following morning to prepare nominations.

RESIGNATION OF MR. WHEELER AS VICE-PRESIDENT

Dr. Mitchell read a letter of resignation as vice-president of the Council from Mr. John Wheeler, and the Board voted to accept Mr. Wheeler's resignation, with regret.

SUGGESTED PROJECT FOR STATE DIVISIONS

Father Twomey urged that each State Division make it a principal item of business to assist Negroes in obtaining their constitutional rights at the polls.

PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF POLICY STATEMENT

Upon motion, it was voted that the "Statement of Policy and Aims" be printed in New South and be given the widest possible publicity.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

December 13, 1951

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council was held in the Music Room of the Atlanta University Library, Atlanta, Georgia, on the afternoon of December 13, 1951, immediately after the membership meeting.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Williams asked for the report of the committee to nominate officers and members of the Executive Committee. Mrs. Hamilton submitted the following nominations for officers:

President--Marion A. Wright, South Carolina
Vice-Presidents--Carter Wesley, Texas; Gordon Hancock, Virginia; A. W. Dent, Louisiana; Alfred Mynders, Tennessee
Counsel--Leonard Haas, Georgia

Upon motion, it was voted to accept this slate of officers.

Mr. Williams expressed satisfaction with the Board's choice, and turned the chair over to Mr. Wright.

In commenting on his new position, Mr. Wright said, in part: "No greater opportunity to be of service could come to me than what you have conferred. I would assume no heavier responsibility in following any president than I do in following Mr. Williams. He has left a mark for all of us to shoot at. More than that, he has left an impression on the South. The thing in the South that is of significance is the leveling and beating down of barriers which people have reared between themselves. There is no man, in my judgment, who has had a larger hand in this than Mr. Paul Williams."

ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mrs. Hamilton submitted the following nominations for membership on the Executive Committee:

Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie, Georgia; Rev. V. J. O'Connell, Louisiana; Rufus Clement, Georgia; Paul Christopher, Tennessee; John Griffin, Georgia; Charles S. Johnson, chairman, Tennessee; Harry V. Richardson, Georgia.

On motion, it was voted to accept the nominations.

NEWS FROM ARKANSAS DIVISION

Mr. Charles Walker, serving as proxy for Mr. W. W. Wilke, president of the Arkansas Division, announced that he had been authorized by the Division to invite all members of the Council to attend an Institute on Interracial Relations, to be sponsored by the Arkansas Division of SRC early in the spring.

This annual meeting marks the end of the second year in which the Council has carried on without benefit of any substantial lump sum grant, such as the Council had fortunately received for each year from its beginning through 1949. It has been an extremely difficult matter to find replacement for the missing annual backlog grant of roughly $25,000. The gap has been met by reduction two years ago of the Council's rate of expenditure by $12,000 or $15,000; by inducing an increasing number of the Council's members to become sustaining members, at ten dollars a year; by getting additional support from major church bodies; through help obtained in sums of $1,000 or $2,000 from several foundations; and enlarging our support from trade unions.

Your Committee is grateful that, through its own efforts and the work of the staff and through the generosity of many friends, it has been possible to carry forward the Council's work in this way. But we are sensible of the undue devotion of time to fund-raising efforts, and are anxious that means be found to release the full energies of us all to program, and more particularly, for the very great expansion of the Council's work in this present period when informed and temperate leadership can so greatly speed and ease the South's transition to full democracy.

Chairman of the Executive Committee

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

63 AUBURN AVENUE, NE

ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

December 20, 1951

The membership meeting December 13 elected the following to the Board of Directors:

John Page Williams	Schoolmaster	Richmond
Harry Ashmore	Editor	Little Rock
Mrs. E. J. Rauschkolb	Church Leader	Little Rock
L. E. Thomas	Lawyer	Miami
Ben J. Massell	Businessman	Atlanta
Josephine Wilkins	Organizational Leader	Atlanta
Alexander Kline	Rabbi	Clarksdale, Miss.
A. Maceo Smith	Housing Official	Dallas
Paul Christopher	Labor Leader	Knoxville
Ed H. Weyler	Labor Leader	Louisville
Paul Williams	Businessman	Richmond
Guy Johnson	Professor	Chapel Hill
Harold Trigg	College President	Raleigh
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor	Church Leader	Houston

By action of the membership the allocation of the terms of the new Board members is to be made by the Executive Committee.

The Class of 1955 contains ten vacancies, and the Class of 1954 contains seven additional vacancies.

It would seem sensible for ten of the new Board members to go into a four-year term ending in 1955, and for four to go into a three-year term ending in 1954.

Allocations to terms at the organizing of the Board (1944) were made by lot. In order to achieve a chance allocation of these fourteen names, the secretary-treasurer and I drew off the fourteen names on slips and at random withdrew four names to occupy the three-year terms. These were as follows: L. E. Thomas, Ben J. Massell, Josephine Wilkins, John Page Williams.

With your approval, the new Board members will be requested to serve, therefore, in terms allocated as follows:

Class of 1955

Harry Ashmore	Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor	Harold Trigg
Paul Christopher	Mrs. E. J. Rauschkolb	Ed H. Weyler
Guy Johnson	Maceo Smith	Paul Williams
Alexander Kline		

Class of 1954

L. E. Thomas	Josephine Wilkins
Ben J. Massell	John Page Williams

The enclosed postal will signify your approval or disapproval.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of the Board of Directors

The meeting of the Board of Directors was held in the Exhibition Room of the Atlanta University Library at 12 o'clock noon Thursday, February 17, 1944, with the following present:

Will W. Alexander
Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames
Horace M. Bond
Francis R. Bridges, Jr.
Rufus E. Clement
Virginius Dabney
Ernest Delpit
Charles Gillman
Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton
Gordon B. Hancock
Mrs. Henry Havens
Luther P. Jackson
Charles S. Johnson
Guy B. Johnson
Louis E. Burnham
J. R. E. Lee
Benjamin E. Mays
T. James McNamara
Gerald P. O'Hara
Ira DeA. Reid
James L. Robb
G. D. Rogers
R. L. Russell
Philip Shulhafer
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Harold L. Trigg
Forrester B. Washington
Miss Josephine Wilkins
P. B. Young
Emily H. Clay, Secretary

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

1. IT WAS VOTED that Mr. Francis R. Bridges, Jr., be elected temporary Chairman.

2. IT WAS VOTED that the report of the Committee on Nominations as read by Dr. Clement be adopted and that the officers be elected, as follows:

OFFICERS

President: Bishop Arthur J. Moore
Vice Presidents:
P. B. Young
Homer P. Rainey
Carter Wesley
Executive Director:
Guy B. Johnson
Associate Executive Director:
Ira DeA. Reid
Secretary-Treasurer:
Emily H. Clay

Mr. Bridges asked Mr. Young to take the chair.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

3. IT WAS VOTED that the membership of the Board of Directors be increased this year to not more than fifty, exclusive of the ex officio members.

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IT WAS VOTED that a Committee on Publications be set up to advise with the two Executive Directors relative to THE SOUTHERN FRONTIER, pamphlets, and any other publications which the two Directors may recommend.

After discussion and on motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

13. IT WAS VOTED that the Board of Directors be polled and that each member be asked to name not less than three persons residing outside the area of the Southern Regional Council whom they would like to have become members of the National Advisory Committee.

Dr. Johnson reported that Bishop Moore had suggested that the Council might find it advisable to rent quarters in the Wesley Memorial Church Building, which is now being remodeled.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

14. IT WAS VOTED that the Executive Directors be instructed to look into the situation and bring recommendations to the next meeting.

15. Following provision of the by-laws and instructions from the Board of Directors, lots were cast and the terms of members of the Board of Directors were arranged as follows:

To expire in October 1945: Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, Rufus E. Clement, Ernest Delpit, Leonard Haas, J. R. E. Lee, E. A. McDowell, L. D. Milton, George S. Mitchell, F. D. Patterson, John Garland Pollard, Jr., G. D. Rogers, F. B. Washington.

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Dr. Johnson asked that the Committee suggest a sub-title for the Southern Regional Council, to be used on the letterhead and in publications, in explanation of the purpose of the organization.

After discussion and on motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

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16. IT WAS VOTED that the following statement from the Charter be adopted as a sub-title: "A council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South."

17. It was the sense of the Committee that the two Executive Directors should prepare a brief statement of policy, to be sent to members of the Executive Committee for comments and suggestions and later submitted to the full Board of Directors for final approval.

18. Dr. Johnson called attention to two articles, one by J.Saunders Redding and the other by Lillian Smith, in the spring issue of the magazine COMMON GROUND, severely criticizing the Southern Regional Council. He asked whether the Committee would approve of his writing a reply to these articles. It was the sense of the Committee that Dr. Johnson should prepare such an article for the summer issue of COMMON GROUND.

After tentatively approving April 26 as the date for its next meeting, the Committee adjourned.

EMILY H. CLAY, SECRETARY

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Atlanta, Georgia - March 22, 1944

The Executive Committee met in the Conference Room of the Atlanta University Administration Building at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning, March 22, 1944. The following members attended: Francis R. Bridges, Jr., Rufus E. Clement, Leonard Haas, T. James McNamara, and Miss Josephine Wilkins. Guy B. Johnson, Ira DeA. Reid, and Emily H. Clay from the Council's staff were also present.

Dr. Johnson reported that messages had been received from Dr. Charles S. Johnson, Dr. P. B. Young, Dr. H. P. Rainey, Dr. Gordon B. Hancock, Dr. Howard W. Odum, and Mr. Carter Wesley expressing regret at their inability to be present.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

1. IT WAS VOTED that Mr. Francis R. Bridges, Jr., be elected temporary chairman.

Mr. Bridges took the chair, after which the Committee discussed the selection of a permanent chairman.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

2. IT WAS VOTED that Dr. Charles S. Johnson be elected Chairman of the Executive Committee.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

3. IT WAS VOTED that Miss Emily H. Clay be elected secretary, ex officio.

The Committee recessed for lunch.

Afternoon Session

The meeting reconvened at 1:45 P. M.

After discussion, it was suggested that the Committee meet once a month, or at least every two months, until the annual meeting in October. The fourth Wednesday in each month was tentatively agreed upon as the regular date until October.

Dr. Johnson reported that a small committee had called on Bishop Moore to urge him to accept election to the presidency, but that the bishop felt that recent additions to his heavy church responsibilities would make it impossible for him to do justice to the office. He, therefore, regretfully declined the presidency.

After discussion and on motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

4. IT WAS VOTED that Dr. Howard W. Odum be asked to serve as president of the Council, at least until the annual meeting in October.

At the request of the Committee, Dr. Guy B. Johnson called Dr. Odum in Chapel Hill and received his consent to accept the presidency until the October meeting.

The election of additional members was discussed, but Mr. Leonard Haas called attention to the fact that only the members and the Board of Directors have the power to elect members of the Council.

After discussion and on motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

5. IT WAS VOTED that the voting membership shall be open to those who subscribe to the purpose of the Council, as stated in the Charter, and who pay annual dues of $1.00 or more.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

6. IT WAS VOTED that two other membership categories in addition to regular members be provided: Associates and Contributors, the Associates to be composed of people living outside the region who will subscribe to the statement, but who will not have the privilege of voting; Contributors, composed of people either within or without the region who will contribute to the Council, but who need not sign the statement and shall not have the privilege of voting.

Dr. Johnson reported that Mr. T. Wilson Wilmer, of Richmond, Virginia, who was elected to membership on the Council and the Board at the charter meeting, replied that he would be glad to become a member of the Council but regretted that he would not be able to serve on the Board.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

7. IT WAS VOTED that the Committee recommend to the Board the election of Bishop Arthur J. Moore to fill this vacancy in the Board of Directors.

Dr. Johnson called attention to the fact that Dr. Odum's election to the presidency had created another vacancy in the Board, since he would become a member ex officio. The Executive Directors were asked to bring recommendations to the next meeting of the Committee.

The relationship between the Council and existing state interracial groups within the region was discussed and, on motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

8. IT WAS VOTED that further consideration be postponed until the next meeting of the Executive Committee and that the Executive Directors be asked to make a report at that time on the number of such committees; the size of each committee, if possible; what the relationship to the Commission on Interracial Cooperation has been; and to make a definite recommendation as to the relationship between the state groups and the Council.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

9. IT WAS VOTED that copies of the budget be sent to the Executive Committee, with administrative comments, and that the budget be approved finally at the next meeting of the Committee.

Dr. Johnson stated that additional personnel is needed as quickly as possible, especially someone for editorial and public relations work and someone to do field work.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

10. IT WAS VOTED that the two Executive Directors be empowered to employ necessary personnel, subject to the limitations of the budget.

Dr. Johnson reported that the Marvin Cox Associates had sought to enter into a contract with the Council for public relations work. It was the consensus, however, that the Council should not enter into commercial contract at this time.

After discussion and on motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

11. IT WAS VOTED that the question of publication of THE SOUTHERN FRONTIER, its size, format, etc., be left to the discretion of the two Executive Directors.

At the request of Dr. Johnson and Dr. Reid, and on motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

12. IT WAS VOTED that a Committee on Publications be set up to advise with the two Executive Directors relative to THE SOUTHERN FRONTIER, pamphlets, and any other publications which the two Directors may recommend.

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Emily H. Clay

Secretary

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of the Board of Directors
Atlanta, Georgia - April 28, 1944

The Board of Directors met in the Men's Lounge of the Atlanta University Dormitory at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon April 28, 1944. Pictures were taken by LIFE photographers, after which the meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Dr. Howard W. Odum.

The Secretary was asked to call the roll, and the following members were present: Howard W. Odum, Chairman, Will W. Alexander, Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, Wilson M. Brown, Ernest Delpit, A. W. Dent, Clark Foreman, Leonard Haas, Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton, Gordon B. Hancock, Mrs. Henry Havens, Luther P. Jackson, Louis I. Jaffe, Charles S. Johnson, Guy B. Johnson, Ryland Knight, E. A. McDowell, T. James McNamara, Benjamin E. Mays, Lorimer D. Milton, John Garland Pollard, Jr., Ira DeA. Reid, James L. Robb, G. D. Rogers, R. L. Russell, Phillip Shulhafer, Forrester B. Washington, John H. Wheeler, and Josephine Wilkins.

Since mimeographed copies of the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors and the Special Committee on February 17 and the Executive Committee on March 22 were sent to the members of the Board, on motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

1. IT WAS VOTED that the minutes be approved without being read at the meeting.

Brief statements concerning their activities since the Charter meeting were made by the two Executive Directors, and Dr. Reid presented a Memorandum on Program, which was prepared at the request of the Executive Committee on March 22. The program for 1944-1945 was outlined as follows:

1. The initiation of an annual closed conference of major agencies working on problems of social amelioration in the South, at which would be presented:

   a. Appraisals of current problems in the region;
   b. Dicussions of effective, concerted technique in handling them;
   c. Proposals for concerted action at regional, state and local levels.

2. The development of an effective educational program, which would include:

   a. Periodic general and special news releases from SRC on problems of immediate interest, such as the white primary and the poll tax; the preparation of petitions and special pleas, when necessary.

   b. Cultivation of personal contacts with public officials throughout the region.

   c. The distribution of a series of Southern Regional Council pamphlets on the South. These pamphlets will be designed to define the problems covered and point the way to such action as is desirable.

3. The coordination and stimulation of state and local action groups to work on the following problems:

a. Public Safety and the Community. This program will be designed to secure more impartial law enforcement and better law observance within the Southern communities. In this connection, the Southern Regional Council, in cooperation with some of the leading universities in the South, would seek to promote one or more institutes for police administrators, with emphasis on the problems of post-war race tensions. Preliminary conferences in this connection have been promising.

b. Household Employment. This program will be designed to establish more satisfactory norms and working relationships for household employment in the local communities.

c. Race Relations. This program will be a continuation of the general work conducted by the various interracial committees, and will be concerned with problems of racial good will and understanding.

d. Social Legislation. The SRC will encourage desirable social legislation within the Southern states and will seek to have certain antisocial and undemocratic laws removed from the statute books.

This program represents an abridgement of the initial plan presented in February, and one which might be effected as soon as the professional staff is employed.

Dr. Charles S. Johnson, Chairman of the Executive Committee, was asked to report on actions of the Committee at the meeting during the morning. He read the following recommendations for membership on the Board of Directors to fill the three vacancies which have occurred since the Charter meeting:

That Miss Lillian Smith, of Clayton, Georgia, be elected to fill the vacancy created by the election of Dr. Howard W. Odum to the presidency of the Council; that Bishop Arthur J. Moore, of Atlanta, be elected to fill the vacancy caused by inability of Mr. T. Wilson Wilmer to accept Board membership; and that Archbishop Robert Emmet Lacey, of San Antonio, Texas, be elected to fill the vacancy which resulted from the death of Dr. J. R. E. Lee.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

2. IT WAS VOTED that these recommendations of the Executive Committee be approved.

Dr. Johnson explained that, since certain states have inadequate representation on the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee asked that the Board recommend the election of the following additional Board members:

ARKANSAS- Dean T. S. Staples, Hendrix College, Conway;
Mrs. A. M. P. Strong, President of the National Colored P.T.A., Marianna;

FLORIDA- Walter Matherley, Dean of the School of Business Administration, University of Florida, Gainesville;

KENTUCKY- Charles W. Anderson, only Negro member of the Kentucky House of Representatives, Louisville;

MISSISSIPPI- Jacob Reddix, President of Jackson College, Jackson;

NORTH CAROLINA- N. C. Newbold, State Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh;

OKLAHOMA- O. D. Duncan, of the faculty of A. and M. State College, Stillwater;

TENNESSEE- Z. A. Looby, Attorney, Nashville.

Mrs. Henry Havens, of Jacksonville, Florida, said that since the death of Dr. J. R. E. Lee, of Tallahassee, Florida now has only one Negro representative on the Board of Directors, while the addition of Dean Matherley increases the white membership to three. She, therefore, requested that Dr. H. D. Goode, a dentist of Pensacola, be elected to the Board of Directors.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

3. IT WAS VOTED that the name of Dr. H. D. Goode, of Pensacola, Florida, be added to the list submitted by the Executive Committee.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

4. IT WAS VOTED that these nine persons be elected to membership on the Board of Directors, their terms to begin in October, 1944.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

5. IT WAS VOTED that the persons nominated for Board membership who are not now members of the Council be elected to membership.

Mrs. Ames expressed the opinion that women should have better representation on the Board. She asked that, in making up the next list of nominees, there be some effort to balance the membership, not only according to race but also according to sex.

The following recommendation from the Executive Committee was read:

That the relation between the Southern Regional Council and all state and local organizations having aims and purposes similar to those of the Council be informal and cooperative, the details to be worked out by the two Executive Directors.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

6. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

The summary of the budget for the year 1944 was reported, as follows:

EXPENDITURES			
Salaries:	Now employed	$ 17,045	
	To be employed (adjusted for six months)	4,780	$ 21,825
Travel:	Meetings of Board of Directors and Executive Committee	$ 1,500	
	Staff	6,000	7,500
Overhead and Maintenance			5,450
Promotion and Publications			7,000
Contingency Fund			2,225
			$ 44,000
INCOME			
Assured:	Julius Rosenwald Fund	$ 25,000	
	General Education Board	12,000	
	Board of Missions, The Methodist Church	1,000	
Anticipated:			
	Board of Missions, Woman's Work, The Methodist Church	1,000	
	Dues and contributions from members, literature receipts, miscellaneous	1,500	40,500
ADDITIONAL FUNDS NEEDED FOR 1944 BUDGET			$ 3,500

In commenting on the budget, Dr. Odum said he was convinced that there would be no difficulty in raising the balance of $3,500 needed for the year.

After discussion and on motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

7. IT WAS VOTED that the budget be adopted.

The question was asked whether the appropriations from the foundations were made for one year, only, or for a period of years. Dr. Odum replied that the General Education Board appropriation was for a five-year period, and Dr. Alexander said that the officers of the Julius Rosenwald Fund were thinking in terms of a three-year appropriation.

The following recommendations from the Executive Committee were read:

RESOLVED- That whereas the Board of Directors believes that it is in keep- with common practice and in the interest of efficiency for the Executive Directors to be members of the Executive Committee, it recommends to the members that the by-laws be amended as follows:

That that part of Article V, Section 1, which reads:

The Board of Directors shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than seven (7) members in addition to the President and Vice President, who shall be ex officio members, selected from the membership of the Board in such way as the Board may determine,

be amended to read as follows:

The Board of Directors shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than seven (7) members in addition to the President and Vice Presidents, the Executive Director, and the Associate Executive Director, all of whom shall be ex officio members, selected from the membership of the Board in such wasy as the Board may determine.

After discussion and on motion duly seconded an unanimously carried-

8. IT WAS VOTED that the Board recommend to the members at the next annual meeting that the by-laws be amended as requested by the Executive Committee.

RESOLVED- That the Committee ask the Board of Directors to recommend that that part of Article VI, Section 1, which reads:

The Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director need not be members at the time of their election, but, by virtue of their office, shall become members of the corporation and of the Board with all the privileges of Board members, except that they may not be members of the Executive Committee of the Board,

be amended by striking out the words:

except that they may not be members of the Executive Committee of the Board.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

9. IT WAS VOTED that the Board recommend to the members at the next annual meeting that the by-laws be amended as requested by the Executive Committee.

RESOLVED- That the by-laws be amended as follows:

That that part of Article V, Section 2, which reads:

A quorum of the Executive Committee shall be constituted of such number as may be determined by the Board of Directors but not fewer than four (4) members, exclusive of ex officio members, be amended to read:

A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than six (6) members of the Committee.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

10. IT WAS VOTED that the Board recommend to the members at the next annual meeting that the by-laws be amended as requested by the Executive Committee.

RESOLVED- That pursuant to the authority granted by Article V, Section 4, of the by-laws, the Board of Directors create the following standing committees: Committee on Finance, Committee on Membership, Committee on Public Relations, Committee on Publications, Committee on Fellows; and that the Chairman of the Board be instructed to appoint these Committees with the understanding that Committee members need not be limited to members of the Board of Directors. Each Committee shall report regularly to the Board and shall make such recommendations as it deems wise.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

11. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

RESOLVED- That the Committee on Membership shall have general supervision over questions pertaining to the election of members, shall receive nominations and requests for membership, and shall authorize the Executive Director or the Secretary to extend an invitation to membership to such persons as the Committee may approve, all such elections being subject to confirmation at the next meeting of members or of the Board of Directors.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

12. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

RESOLVED- That the Committee on Finance shall have general supervision over the budget, auditing of the accounts, and the securing of funds to finance the program of the Council.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

13. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

RESOLVED- That the Committee on Public Relations shall advise with the Executive Staff on matters pertaining to public relations.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

14. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

RESOLVED- That the Committee on Publications shall advise with the Executive Staff on matters pertaining to publications and editorial policy.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

15. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

RESOLVED- That the Committee on Fellows be authorized to select and appoint honorary fellows as provided in Article III, Section 1, of the by-laws, and that the Committee have general supervision over the activities of the fellows.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

16. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

17. IT WAS VOTED that the Chairman of each Committee shall be a member of the Board of Directors.

Dr. Washington called attention to the fact that the program of the Southern Regional Council which was presented at the Charter meeting provided for several divisions in addition to the division on race relations. In this connection, he said that the Council is confining itself too closely to race relations and that he would like to have two additional committees appointed- a Committee on Economic Affairs and a Committee on Civic Affairs, on which white and colored people would work together.

Dr. Odum said "these will come as soon as we are ready to set up a final functional committee."

Dr. Washington asked whether there would be any harm in having a Committee on Economic Affairs and a Committee on Civic Affairs. He said that he would like to see the two groups thinking on the matter of improving the economic conditions in the South.

Dr. Reid cited the program memorandum which had been presented earlier in the meeting and contended that it was not confined to race relations and that it covered some significant civic and economic problems of the South.

Mrs. Hamilton suggested that it might help to have a standing committee on program that would work on improvements in the outline presented by the Executive Directors.

Dr. Washington moved-

That a committee be added to devise a program which will involve economic, civic, and racial objectives, as indicated in our Charter.

Msgr. McNamara called attention to the fact that the members at the charter meeting voted to devote their attention to the Commission on Race (Human) Relations during this first year.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

18. IT WAS VOTED that the motion to set up a Committee on Economic Affairs and a Committee on Civic Affairs be tabled.

The following resolutions from the Executive Committee were read:

RESOLVED- That on the approval of the Committee on Membership such qualified persons as may be nominated by members or may request in writing the privilege of membership may be notified by the Executive Director or the Secretary that they are invited to membership, subject to confirmation at the next meeting of members or Directors, and may, upon their acceptance, enjoy all the rights and privileges of members.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

19. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

RESOLVED- That all members who are not more than twelve months in arrears in payment of dues and whose conduct and public utterances are in general accord with the aims and purposes of the Council as set forth in the Charter shall be declared members in good standing, and that all members in good standing thirty (30) days before the date of any meeting of the members be entitled to vote at such meeting.

RESOLVED, further- That any member who has failed to pay dues for twenty-four (24) months and who, after notice by the Secretary-Treasurer, fails to pay his dues within thirty (30) days, or who is otherwise not in good standing, shall be dropped from membership.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

20. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

RESOLVED- That the First National Bank of Atlanta is hereby approved as the depository for the funds of the Southern Regional Council.

Dr. Forrester Washington suggested that the Citizens Trust Company of Atlanta be also designated as a depository for the Council.

Therefore, on motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

21. IT WAS VOTED that the First National Bank and the Citizens Trust Company are hereby approved as the depositories for the funds of the Southern Regional Council.

The following resolutions for the Executive Committee were read:

RESOLVED- That the Bond with the National Surety Corporation in the amount of $37,500, covering the positions of Executive Director, Associate Executive Director, and Secretary-Treasurer, is hereby approved by the Board of Directors.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

22. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

RESOLVED- That the Executive Director be authorized to secure the services of Harold C. Carson, Certified Public Accountant, to audit the books of the corporation.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

23. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

RESOLVED- That the office of counsel be created as authorized in Article VI, Section 10, of the by-laws, and that Mr. Leonard Haas be elected counsel for the corporation.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

24. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

Dr. Charles Johnson asked Dr. Guy Johnson to read a statement concerning the Supreme Court decision in the Texas primary case, which the Executive Committee had recommended to the Board of Directors.

Mrs. Ames offered a motion that the words "let us all be calm and wise" be deleted from the statement. After discussion and on motion duly seconded and carried, with one dissenting vote-

25. IT WAS VOTED that this recommendation not be accepted.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

26. IT WAS VOTED that the words "in some of the Southern states" be substituted for the words "in the South."

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

27. IT WAS VOTED that the statement be adopted, as follows:

The Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the exclusion of Negroes from the Texas Democratic primaries is a violation of the Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution. The Court has simply recognized the fact that primaries are effective instruments of goverment, and that the exclusion of the Negro voters from Democratic primaries in some of the Southern states is equivalent to denying them the right to vote on account of race.

This decision has far-reaching consequences, and we appeal to the people of the South to make these consequences positive and constructive rather than negative and destructive.

We deplore the statements of political leaders and others indicating a determination to disregard or nullify the decision of the Supreme Court, and we call on all fair-minded citizens of the South to respect the letter and the spirit of the Court's decision. Let us all, white and Negro, be calm and wise. Let us strive to serve the ends of justice and good government for all of the people of the South.

To allow Negro citizens to participate in the government under which they live is to give democracy a chance in the south. To deny the vote to qualified Negro citizens is inconsistent with the American ideal of justice and equality before the law. The sooner we recognize these simple facts, the better off we shall be. We cannot honestly wage a war for freedom and democracy in foreign lands when we deny to our own Negro citizens the rights and privileges which are justly theirs.

After discussion as to the advisability of immediate release of the resolution, on motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

28. IT WAS VOTED that the statement be released to the press immediately following the meeting.

A statement on the injection of the race issue into political campaigns, which was recommended to the Board by the Executive Committee, was read by Dr. Guy Johnson.

After discussion and on motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

29. IT WAS VOTED that the word "spurious" be substituted for the word "old", that the words "attempt to arouse" be substituted for the words "appeal to", and that the statement be adopted, as follows:

> In the heat of current political campaigns in various parts of the South, the race issue has been raised by certain candidates or by their promoters. Vicious rumors have been circulated, and the spurious issues of " white supremacy," "social equality," and the like have been dragged forth in an attempt to arouse the passions and prejudices of voters.
>
> We condemn all such tactics as unfair and destructive of the spirit of unity and cooperation which we need now as never before, and we appeal to all good citizens to consider carefully whether those persons who use such tactics are worthy of public trust.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

30. IT WAS VOTED that the statement be given immediate publicity.

Dr. Guy Johnson read a list of persons nominated at the Charter meeting or within thirty days of the meeting, in accordance with the action of the Board of Directors at the Charter meeting.

During the discussion which followed, Dr. Forrester Washington asked whether it would be important to have a portion of the Charter expressing the aims and purposes of the Council sent to those invited to membership, with the request that they sign the statement in accepting membership. Dr. Guy Johnson replied that we proposed to do that.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

31. IT WAS VOTED that the nominations be referred to the Committee on Membership for action.

Dr. Robb asked whether we should endeavor to elect large numbers of members or to confine the membership to a small number. Dr. Alexander asked whether it was contemplated that there would be an annual meeting, to which the expenses of members would be paid. When Dr. Guy Johnson replied that the expenses of members would not be paid, Dr. Alexander said he did not see why the Council membership should not be as large as possible. Dr. Johnson explained that a large membership involved the problem of proxies, etc. Dr. Robb expressed the opinion that from the standpoint of the purpose of the organization it would be desirable to enlist the cooperation of a large number of people by inviting them to become members.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

32. IT WAS VOTED that the Executive Committee be asked to bring to the next meeting of the Board of Directors a statement of policy regarding limitation of membership and methods of selecting members.

Dr. Guy Johnson reported that the Executive Committee on March 22 voted to ask each Board member to submit the names of at least three people living outside the South who might be nominated to the National Advisory Committee, for which provision was made in the by-laws. He said that we already have the names of some persons who might be nominated to the Committee, but he felt that this needs more study.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

33. IT WAS VOTED that the whole matter of a National Advisory Committee be referred to Guy B. Johnson and Ira DeA. Reid, with the Chairman of the Board, to work out in considerable detail just how the National Advisory Committee will function and what sort of Committee it will be.

All business having been completed, the meeting adjourned.

EMILY H. CLAY, SECRETARY

1944

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Annual Meeting

The first annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., was held in the Exhibition Room of the Atlanta University Library, Atlanta, Georgia, on December 6, 1944. The meeting was called to order at 10:30 A.M. by Dr. Howard W. Odum, President, who requested the Rev. J. C. Perry, of Birmingham, Alabama, to offer a prayer. The following were present in person or by proxy:

Theodore F. Adams
Will W. Alexander
Mrs. L. W. Alford
Charles W. Anderson, Jr.
Mrs. Leah Pierce Argieard
R. B. Atwood
Fannie Bame
W. R. Banks
Kelley Barnett
Mrs. Janie Porter Barrett
J. A. Bayes
R. C. Beaty
R. D. Bedinger
William H. Bell
W. Y. Bell, Jr.
George C. Bellingrath
Ruby Berkley
Gordon W. Blackwell
J. E. Blanton
Morris Bogdanow
Horace M. Bond
Miss A. Bowden
Stanley R. Brav
James P. Brawley
H. C. Brearley
Francis R. Bridges, Jr.
Ralph P. Bridgman
Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown
Edward M. Brown
Lee L. Brown
Merrill E. Brown
Louis E. Burnham
Charles H. Bynum
J. L. Clark
Edwin L. Clarke
Emily H. Clay
Mrs. George C. Clement
Rufus E. Clement
Charles Clingman
William E. Cole
L. D. Collins
Donald Comer
Robert L. Cousins
W. E. Coxhead
Mrs. James E. Crate
W. H. Crawford
John E. Culmer
J. L. Cuninggim
Virginius Dabney
Frank D. Daniel
R. P. Daniel
V. E. Daniel
Colgate W. Darden, Jr.
M. S. Savage
Don A. Davis
T. D. Davis
A. W. Dent
J. C. Dixon
Witherspoon Dodge
R. Edward Dowdy
L. C. Downing
O. D. Duncan
R. B. Eleazer
Mrs. Edith G. Emerson
Mark Ethridge
Leo M. Favrot
Margaret Fisher
E. Horace Fitchett
L. H. Foster
E. G. Francis
G. Hamilton Francis
Fred C. Frey
Opal Futch
S. Hughes Garvin
Mrs. Nathaniel Gist Gee
Mrs. Harry M. Gershon
Gertrude Gerwertz
H. C. Goerner
Mrs. Marion E. Gonsales
H. D. Goode

John Gowdy
F. P. Graham
John Granbery
Charles M. Gray
William H. Gray, Jr.
Mrs. F. H. Gray
K. W. Green
Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton
Leonard Haas
Carey Haigler
James E. Hanes
Gordon B. Hancock
Mrs. Henry Havens
Mrs. John M. Hanna
Mrs. A. A. Hardy
L. D. Haskew
D. Swan Haworth
F. C. Hayes
J. Lewis Henderson
W. C. Henson
R. B. Herbert
Mrs. Herman Heyman
Mrs. William H. Hogue
John Hope II
J. Sheldon Horsley
S. E. Howie
A. D. Huddleston
Mrs. G. W. Hummel
Roy E. Hyde
John W. Inzer
Luther P. Jackson
W. C. Jackson
Louis I. Jaffe
Annie Tait Jenkins
Katharine Jocher
Howard E. Jensen
Charles S. Johnson
Mrs. Guion G. Johnson
Guy B. Johnson
David D. Jones
Miss L. Carey Jones
Mrs. Marian E. Jones
Mrs. Louis Kaufman
Paul B. Kern
L. R. Killam
Edward S. King
R. O'Hara Lanier
Mrs. G. W. Long
Roswell Long
Frank McCallister
James McClendon
Mrs. James McClendon
Edward A. McDowell
O. E. McKaine
T. James McNamara
Edward G. Mackay
Mrs. Edward G. Mackay
Kathleen Mallory
William H. Marmion
Mrs. E. B. Martin
Mrs. Attwood R. Martin
David Marx
Lucy R. Mason
Walter J. Matherly
Benjamin E. Mays
A. R. Mead
Mildred R. Mell
Hubert L. Mills
L. D. Milton
George S. Mitchell
John W. Mitchell
Samuel C. Mitchell
Josiah Morse
Mrs. Audley Morton
Jackson M. Mundy
Ernest E. Neal
M. Mae Neptune
H. C. Nixon
Howard W. Odum
Gerald P. O'Hara
N. C. Newbold
Noel F. Parrish
Raymond R. Paty
Paul S. Peirce
A. M. Pennybacker
J. C. Perry
E. C. Peters
J. Mitchell Pilcher
Mrs. C. B. Pittman
John Garland Pollard, Jr.
E. M. Preston
D. R. Price
H. Quillian
D. Hiden Ramsey
Arthur Raper
Mrs. N. H. Ratliff
Florence M. Read
Ira DeA. Reid
Mrs. Lillian M. Rice
James L. Robb
Harry W. Roberts
G. D. Rogers
J. Alvin Russell
R. L. Russell
J. W. Seabrook
Leander J. Shaw
Charles A. Shaw
Philip E. Shulhafer
Mrs. Philip E. Shulhafer
Mrs. Andrew W. Simkins

T. Lynn Smith
C. C. Spaulding
Frank W. Spencer
Ludd M. Spivey
Thomas S. Staples
James R. Stein, Jr.
Mrs. J. Morgan Stevens
Mrs. E. W. Stewart
Mrs. W. B. Suddeth
Henry H. Sweets
Florence Sytz
James T. Taylor
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
L. M. Robin
H. Councill Trenholm
H. L. Trigg
H. St. George Tucker
Mrs. W. A. Turner
J. M. Tydings
J. King Vivion
Patterson Wardlaw
Henry T. Ware
Forrester B. Washington
Kendall Weisiger
Carter Wesley
John H. Wheeler
Goodrich C. White
Walter W. Whitson
M. F. Whittaker
Josephine Wilkins
F. C. Willcoxon
D. E. Williams
C. R. Wilmer
Mrs. Henry Wilson
John D. Wing
William Archer Wright, Jr.
Louise Young
P. B. Young

Dr. Odum announced that the Board of Directors would meet immediately following the member meeting. He then addressed the members, reviewing the first year of the Council and pointing out certain problems of policy and strategy which confront us. (Address published in full in the December 1944 issue of THE SOUTHERN FRONTIER).

The registration and proxies were examined by the Secretary, who reported a quorum present.

On motion of Dr. Guy B. Johnson-

1. IT WAS VOTED to confirm the list of persons who have accepted the invitation of the Membership Committee to become members of the Council since the charter meeting.

On motion of Msgr. T. James McNamara-

2. IT WAS VOTED that the President be instructed to appoint a committee of three to examine the minutes of the charter meeting, February 16, 1944, and report whether or not they shall be approved.

The following committee was appointed: Msgr. T. James McNamara, Dr. A. W. Dent, and Mr. Carter Wesley.

The report of the Executive Directors was read by Dr. Johnson. (Published in pamphlet entitled Report of the Executive Directors, 1944).

On motion of Dr. N. C. Newbold, seconded by Mr. J. E. Blanton-

3. IT WAS VOTED that the report of the Executive Directors be accepted.

On motion of Dr. Johnson-

4. IT WAS VOTED that recommendations for amendments to the by-laws be gone into at this time.

Mr. Leonard Haas reported that the Board of Directors, on April 28, 1944, recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

> RESOLVED- That whereas the Board of Directors believes that it is in keeping with common practice and in the interest of efficiency for the Executive Directors to be members of the Executive Committee, it recommends to the members that the by-laws be amended as follows:
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> That that part of Article V, Section 1, which reads:
>
> The Board of Directors shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than seven (7) members in addition to the President and Vice Presidents, who shall be ex officio members, selected from the membership of the Board in such way as the Board may determine,
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> be amended to read as follows:
>
> The Board of Directors shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than seven (7) members in addition to the President and Vice Presidents, the Executive Director, and the Associate Executive Director, all of whom shall be ex officio members, selected from the membership of the Board in such way as the Board may determine.

The question of membership of the Executive Directors on the Executive Committee, in view of their being paid employees, was discussed. Dr. Dent called attention to the fact that the two Directors, along with the President and Vice Presidents, would be ex officio members, only. Dr. Goodrich White expressed the opinion that the elected officers of the Council should have a vote in the Executive Committee, but that the paid officers should not have the privilege of voting.

Dr. Dent moved that the resolution be adopted with the exception that it shall stipulate that the Executive Directors shall be ex officio members of the Executive Committee without the right to vote.

After careful consideration, and on motion of Dr. Dent-

5. IT WAS VOTED that the amendment be accepted.

On motion of Dr. White-

6. IT WAS VOTED that a special committee be appointed to review and reword the resolution concerning membership of the Executive Directors on the Executive Committee and to report back to the afternoon session. (See Vote #21)

Mr. Haas read the following additional recommendation of the Board of Directors for an amendment to the by-laws:

That that part of Article VI, Section 1, which reads:

The Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director need not be members at the time of their election, but, by virtue of their office shall become members of the corporation and of the Board with all the privileges of Board members, except that they may not be members of the Executive Committee of the Board,

be amended by striking out the words,

except that they may not be members of the Executive Committee of the Board.

In view of the previous amendment, authorizing the Executive Directors to have membership on the Executive Committee, without vote, it was agreed that this amendment to the by-laws would be unnecessary.

Mr. Haas reported that the Board of Directors, on April 28, recommended a further change in the by-laws, as follows:

That that part of Article V, Section 2, which reads,

A quorum of the Executive Committee shall be constituted of such number as may be determined by the Board of Directors but not fewer than four (4) members, exclusive of ex officio members, be amended to read,

A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than six (6) members of the Committee.

After discussion and on motion of Mr. Frank A. McCallister-

7. IT WAS VOTED that the quorum be five (5), instead of six (6), and that this portion of the by-laws be amended to read:

A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) members of the Committee.

The following resolution was presented by Mr. Haas:

That the by-laws be amended by striking Article IV, Section 2, which reads,

After each meeting of members of the corporation at which a Board of Directors shall have been elected, the Board of Directors so elected shall meet as soon as practicable for the transaction of business, at such time and place as may be designated by the members of the corporation at such meeting. No notice of such first meeting shall be necessary if held as hereinbefore provided,

and by substituting therefor the following:

The Board of Directors shall meet immediately prior to each meeting of the members of the corporation and again following such meeting of the corporation, at such time and place as may be designated by the President.

8. IT WAS VOTED that this resolution be adopted.

Dr. Odum asked that the Committee on Public Relations serve as a Committee on Resolutions for this meeting, to report during the afternoon session.

Dr. Dent reported for the committee appointed to study the minutes of the Charter meeting and on his motion-

9. IT WAS VOTED that the minutes of the Charter meeting be approved.

The meeting adjourned for lunch, to reconvene at 2:30 P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was called to order at 2:30 P. M. by Mr. Carter Wesley, Vice President. Mr. Wesley Explained that since he had certain matters to present he preferred not to remain in the chair.

On motion of Dr. Witherspoon Dodge, therefore-

10. IT WAS VOTED that Mr. Francis R. Bridges be appointed to serve as Acting Chairman.

On motion of Miss Josephine Wilkins-

11. IT WAS VOTED that the reports of the Standing Committees, with the exception of the Membership Committee, be made to the Board of Directors immediately following this meeting.

The report of the Membership Committee was read by Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Co-Chairman. The Committee offered the following suggestions:

1- That the function of the Membership Committee be that of planning ways of implementing the expansion of Council membership and of passing on applications for membership.

2- That the Council sponsor a membership campaign in which every member of the Council participates as an active recruiter.

3- That the membership dues remain at $1.00, but that contributions be requested of members.

4- That persons living outside the Council area who subscribe to the purposes of the Council and contribute $1.00 or more be accepted as associate members.

On motion of Mrs. Tilly-

12. IT WAS VOTED that the report be adopted.

On motion of Mr. Wesley-

13. IT WAS VOTED that the report be amended to include other names to be presented at this time.

On motion of Dr. Robb-

14. IT WAS VOTED that the members have the privilege of submitting to the Secretary the names of other persons to be added to the list to be elected at this meeting.

Mr. Blanton said that in view of the report of the Executive Directors he wanted to suggest that the annual dues be increased from $1.00 to $5.00. Dr. Johnson stated, however, that the recommendation of the Membership Committee concerning dues was agreeable to the Executive Directors and that he thought perhaps it would be advisable to leave the dues at $1.00 for the present and ask each member to make a contribution in addition.

In reporting for the Resolutions Committee, Mr. Virginius Dabney read the following general resolutions:

We believe that every effort must be made to prepare the people of the South for the returning Negro and white soldiers. The problems which are arising already as they come back from active

service or are demobilized into civilian life call for prompt and constructive action on local, state, and regional levels.

With a view to encouraging the returning Negro soldiers to have faith that the democratic principles for which they have fought are to be translated into reality, we recommend:

1- Employment of all persons on the basis of ability.

2- Abolition of the white primary where it exists.

3- Employment of Negro policemen and firemen in the Negro areas of all Southern cities and equal treatment of members of both races by the police and the courts.

4- Equalization of educational opportunity and of pay for teachers of both races.

5- Extension of publicly financed low cost housing.

6- Increased publicly financed medical and dental care available to both races on an equal basis.

Dr. Dodge expressed the opinion that, under Item 1, seniority rights of workers should be considered. After discussion and on his motion, therefore-

15. IT WAS VOTED that Item 1 be amended to read,

Employment of all persons on the basis of ability, with due regard for seniority rights.

Mr. Rogers asked whether it would be possible to add to the resolution a statement concerning travel. He called attention to the seriousness of the situation, particularly with reference to Negro soldiers, and said he wondered whether something might be said which would lessen the tension, especially on the busses.

Dr. Dent said that he thought we should not draw a line between transportation facilities for civilians and for military personnel. He recommended that a statement with reference to travel on public conveyances be added by the Committee.

In discussing Item 3, Dr. Dent spoke of the restrictive statement as to where Negro policemen and firemen should work and asked that this item be

re-worded. He said that, in a statement of policy which is southwide, he thought it was a mistake to "put the Negro leadership on the spot as a matter of removing the white leadership from the spot."

Dr. Alexander expressed the opinion that, since a number of Southern cities are already employing Negro policemen and firemen, it would strengthen our statement to call attention to this fact and to urge the "extension of the growing practice of employing Negro policemen and firemen in Southern cities and equal treatment of members of both races by the police and the courts."

Dr. Dent suggested that the following statement be included with reference to transportation on public conveyances:

> That equal accommodations for Negroes, as provided under the law, be actually provided on all public transportation facilities, and that discriminatory practices now common in travel be abolished.

Mr. McCallister said it seemed to him that the poll tax and all other restrictive practices should be included in this item.

Mr. Dabney reported that the Committee thought it would be wiser not to make this an all-inclusive statement at the present time.

Mr. Wesley expressed the opinion that an attack on the white primary was about as much as we should include at this time.

Dr. Alexander said that he had never been convinced that the poll tax is the most effective means of barring people from voting. It was his opinion that it was very much more important to get rid of the white primary than the poll tax.

Mrs. Havens supported this statement and called attention to the fact that Florida has no poll tax, but does have a white primary, "and the Negroes generally do not vote."

16. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted as amended, as follows:

We believe that every effort must be made to prepare the people of the South for the returning Negro and white soldiers. The problems which are arising already as they come back from active service or are demobilized into civilian life, call for prompt and constructive action on local, state, regional and national levels.

With a view to encouraging the returning Negro soldiers to have faith that the democratic principles for which they have fought are to be translated into reality, we recommend:

1- Employment of all persons on the basis of ability, with due regard for seniority rights.

2- Abolition of the white primary where it exists.

3- Extension of the growing practice of employing Negro policemen and firemen in Southern cities and equal treatment of members of both races by the police and the courts.

4- Equalization of educational opportunity and of pay for teachers of both races.

5- Extension of publicly financed low cost housing.

6- Increased publicly financed medical and dental care available to both races on an equal basis.

7- That equal accommodations for Negroes as provided under the law, be actually provided on all public transportation facilities, and that discriminatory practices now common in travel be abolished.

A resolution concerning Dr. Homer P. Rainey and the University of Texas was read by Mr. Dabney, as follows:

The Southern Regional Council wishes to protest the dismissal of Dr. Homer P. Rainey as President of the University of Texas. The Council believes this is a startling infringement of personal and academic freedom, and a severe blow to those Southern persons and agencies working for democratic rights.

The Southern Regional Council believes in Dr. Rainey because of his long and effective participation in progressive movements. It believes in him because of his close association with us in the formation of SRC which he now serves as Vice-President. The Council commends him for the stand he has taken, and applauds those Texas citizens and those students and faculty members at the University of Texas who gave him such unqualified support.

After discussion,

17. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

After discussion and on motion of Dr. Dent-

18. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be released to the press.

Dr. Daniel moved that Dr. Rainey's permission be secured before releasing the resolution to the press. The motion was defeated.

Mr. Dabney read a resolution on Education, which was presented to the Resolutions Committee by Mrs. Grace Hamilton, as follows:

In the seventeen states and the District of Columbia which require separation of the races in their public school systems, continuing and substantial differences in the public schools for white and Negro children prevail despite requirements of educational statutes, that separate and uniform school facilities be established and maintained. These differences are reflected in the buildings and equipment, in the length of the school day, in the teacher-pupil loads, in the per-pupil expenditure, in the investments in public school property, and in teachers' salaries.

Recognizing the necessity and continuing obligation to establish equality of educational opportunity for all in order to further the establishment of a sound economy in the Southern region, and recognizing the opportunities inherent in the post-war plans for school improvements now developing in communities within these states, we accept the principles that:

1. There should exist and be available for Negro children the same types of educational opportunities as there are for white children.

2. The teacher-pupil ratio in Negro schools should be as low as that in schools for white children.

3. The length of the school day should be the same for the Negro child as it is for the white child.

4. The same types of physical accommodations and facilities in the public schools should exist and be available for Negro children as are available for white children.

We commend these principles for the consideration of all law-abiding citizens, and responsible school officials in Southern communities, and urge, in behalf of the common welfare, that action be taken to make these principles operative in all plans for public school improvements.

On motion of Mrs. Harry L. Gershon-

19. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

At the request of Mr. Bridges, Mr. Wesley took the Chair.

After presenting what he emphasized was first-hand information on the subject, Mr. Bridges offered the following resolution, commending the Governor of Florida, the judiciary, members of the State Department of Safety, and the State Guard for their handling of the case of three young Negroes who were alleged to have criminally assaulted a youngwwhite woman:

> RESOLVED, that the Southern Regional Council commends Governor Spessard L. Holland of Florida for his courageous handling of the situation developing recently in that State as the result of the criminal assault upon a white woman by three Negroes.
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> Be it further resolved that the Southern Regional Council also commends the judiciary of the State of Florida for the fair manner in which the accused men were brought to justice, and the members of the Florida Department of Safety and the State Guard be commended for their handling of situations whereby the accused were protected from mob violence.
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> Be it further resolved that copies of these resolutions be transmitted to Governor Holland, to the Hon. Jess Gilliam, Director of the State Department of Safety, to the justices of the Florida Supreme Court, to the Hon. Judge May Walker of the Leon County Circuit, to the Hon. Orion S. Parker, State Attorney, Tallahassee, and to Brig. Gen. Vivian B. Collins, St. Augustine, commanding officer of the State Guard.

Mr. Bridges moved the adoption of the resolution, and the motion was seconded by Dr. Jackson.

Disapproval of the resolution was voiced by a number of members. Dr. Johnson reported that the Executive Directors had kept in touch with the situation and had written the Governor of Florida, commending him for his prompt action in preventing the lynching of the accused men.

After discussion, a substitute motion was presented by Dr. Dent, as follows:

> That this Council concur in the action of the Executive Directors in commending the Governor of Florida.

Dr. Forrester B. Washington said that if the resolution concerning the Florida case is passed we should pass another one protesting the failure of the legal officials of an Alabama countyto bring to justice the six white

men who were alleged to be guilty of criminally attacking a young Negro soldier's wife.

Mr. Wesley ruled Dr. Washington out of order.

On motion of Dr. Dent-

20. IT WAS VOTED that the substitute resolution be adopted.

Mr. Bridges explained that he was thoroughly in support of the substitute motion of Dr. Dent. His only purpose in offering his resolution, he said, was that interracial affairs in Florida were considerably disturbed because of the attitude of certain persons concerning this affair, and it was his opinion that "the Southern Regional Council would do itself good by so asserting itself."

Mr. Bridges took the chair again.

Mr. Haas reminded the members that at the morning session Dr. White asked that a special committee review and rewrite the resolution on the amendment to the by-laws providing for membership of the Executive Directors on the Executive Committee, and that they report back to the afternoon session. Mr. Haas read the amendment to Article V, Section 1, as follows:

> The Board of Directors shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than seven (7) members in addition to the President and three Vice Presidents; the Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director shall also be ex officio members of the Committee, but without the right to vote.

Miss Florence Read moved that the three Vice Presidents be omitted from membership on the Executive Committee, since it was her opinion that a smaller committee makes a better working group. This amendment was defeated.

21. IT WAS VOTED that the original motion be adopted.

Under the head of New Business, a resolution on Post-war Employment was offered by Mr. Louis E. Burnham, as follows:

The Southern Regional Council realizes the importance of encouraging and planning for an effective program of full employment in every Southern community.

We, therefore, urge that such planning include the initiation and maintenance of an effective public employment service which within its ranks and among employers will promote the effective utilization of all workers in terms of their skills and training, without regard to their race, color, or creed.

We recommend that equal and effective opportunities for the technical and vocational training of Negroes be made available.

We recommend the creation of a permanent Fair Employment Practices Committee to promote the non-discriminatory use of manpower.

On motion of Mr. Burnham-

22. IT WAS VOTED that the resolution be adopted.

On motion of Dr. Washington-

23. IT WAS VOTED that the Executive Directors be instructed to investigate the case in Alabama of the young Negro mother who was raped by six white men, and to take such steps as the facts justify to see that justice is done.

Mr. Wesley said that the new business which he wished to bring up was the question of whether the Southern Regional Council shall make a direct attack on segregation or whether we shall confine ourselves to working for equality under segregation as it exists. It was his opinion that, even though the Council might be accused of fostering segregation, we must be realistic if we are going to accomplish anything in the South. In the belief that the Council should center its attention on working for equality under segregation, rather than make a head-on attack, Mr. Wesley offered the following resolution:

Legal racial segregation exists in the South. We recognize this fact. We shall center our efforts on gaining equal facilities as provided by law and equal opportunities for all people of the South.

Dr. Hancock said that we have come up against the matter of segregation, but that we must face the fact that it was brought forward by those who

opposed us. It was his opinion that we should not attempt to appease those who have criticized us, but should pass up the question of segregation at this time. Dr. Hancock said that he was "interested in getting something done, rather than said."

Mr. McCallister said that he thought the Council was not yet ready to make a statement on segregation, but that he would like to propose that the executive officers launch a full-fledged study of segregation, instead.

Dr. Benjamin Mays and Dr. Washington both spoke in opposition to the resolution.

In opposing it, Mr. Burnham said that he voiced the sentiment of young Negroes in the South, since segregation is a system which distorts the opportunities of Negro youth.

Mr. Dabney expressed the opinion that this resolution was not an endorsement of segregation, but rather a statement that we realize that segregation exists. He said it was his firm view that segregation means discrimination, but he was confident that the Council would not be able to enlist the aid of a large body of Southerners whose support is needed unless we can reassure them that it is not our purpose to endeavor to do away with segregation. The foundations, he said, have been giving us money, but he is convinced that they will not continue to do so unless we can raise some money here in the South, and to do this we must enlist the support of a large number of influential people.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Mays as a substitute:

> The Southern Regional Council opposes the principle and practice of segregation. We oppose segregation because it violates democratic processes, it violates Christian principles, it develops friction and ill will between the races, it makes for gross discrimination, since there is seldom if ever equality in segregation; but as long as legal segregation exists the Southern Regional Council shall work within the law to equalize all opportunities for Negroes within that framework as stated and implied in the laws of the several states.

Mr. Wesley said that he thought Dr. Mays' statement voiced the sentiment of perhaps everyone present at the meeting, but not the sentiment of our purpose. No Negro here would endorse segregation, he said, but segregation is so embedded that we could not make any headway by a head-on attack on it. He advocated a statement on segregation, he told the members, because it would enable us to make a fair-minded attack on the inequalities and at the same time to enlist the aid of some people who support segregation.

Msgr. McNamara said he thought that we were "losing sight of the people whom we hope to help -- the rank and file of the white and the rank and file of the black." He expressed the belief that "segregation will pass by the board once we have attained practical equality."

Dr. Odum spoke in opposition to both resolutions. He said that if we should adopt either resolution there was no assurance that the South would go along with us, and that in his opinion such a statement as Mr. Wesley recommended would imply that the Council has adopted a philosophy which commits us to segregation.

In speaking against the resolution, Miss Florence Sytz reminded the members that we have already adopted certain points in a platform that is an attack on some of the worst parts of segregation -- transportation facilities, educational facilities, health facilities -- and that she would much rather "throw out the words and make no resolution about segregation."

On motion of Mr. R. B. Eleazer-

24. IT WAS VOTED that both resolutions be laid on the table.

Dr. Alexander said that he hoped nobody would go out of the meeting saying why anyone else had voted as he had. He was convinced, he said, that the Council in the long run must do something about segregation, but he was not sure that we know anything effective to do about it at this moment.

He expressed the opinion that a careful study of segregation should be made by the Executive Directors and that out of this might emerge something that the Council can do. So far as getting money is concerned, he said, we are going to have a hard time, but if this group can hold together with a little mutual confidence we will develop sufficient moral integrity to get us through financially.

Rabbi Stanley Brav offered a motion that we adopt the recommendation which Dr. Odum made in his address during the morning with reference to a closed conference to discuss segregation.

Mr. Wesley asked whether it was possible to close the discussion of segregation and then reopen it. He expressed the opinion that Rabbi Brav's motion was out of order.

Dr. Odum reminded the members that the Executive Directors had already been instructed to hold a conference on strategy and to proceed with a study of segregation.

Mr. Blanton asked that a rising vote of thanks be given to the President and the Executive Directors for the stimulating and encouraging reports which they gave during the morning.

On motion of Miss Wilkins-

25. IT WAS VOTED that the President of the Council appoint a committee of three to approve the minutes of this meeting.

On motion of Dr. Guy Johnson-

26. IT WAS VOTED that the nominations of new members received by the Secretary at this meeting be submitted to the Board of Directors for action.

All business having been completed, the meeting adjourned.

EMILY H. CLAY, SECRETARY

AGENDA

ANNUAL MEETING

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

December 6, 1944

MORNING SESSION

10:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

Prayer

Review of Registration and Proxies

Confirmation of Members

Minutes of Charter Meeting

Appointment of Committees

Recommendations of the Board of Directors

Report of the Executive Directors

Adjournment for Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION

2:00 P. M. to 4:30 P. M.

Reports of the Standing Committees
- Fellows
- Finance
- Membership
- Publications
- Public Relations

Report of Resolutions Committee

Other Business

Adjournment

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of the Board of Directors

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by Dr. P. B. Young, Vice Chairman, at 10:30 A. M. January 31, 1945, in the Exhibition Room of the Atlanta University Library, Atlanta, Georgia. The following members were present:

Howard W. Odum, Chairman

Will W. Alexander
Mrs. Jessie D. Ames
Horace M. Bond
Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown
Wilson M. Brown
Rufus E. Clement
A. W. Dent
Clark Foreman
H. D. Goode
Leonard Haas
Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton
Gordon B. Hancock
Mrs. Henry Havens
Charles S. Johnson
Guy B. Johnson
E. A. McDowell
T. James McNamara
Benjamin E. Mays
George S. Mitchell
N. C. Newbold
F. D. Patterson
Edmund M. Preston
Ira DeA. Reid
James L. Robb
G. D. Rogers
Philip E. Shulhafer
Miss Florence Sytz
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Harold L. Trigg
Forrester B. Washington
John H. Wheeler
Goodrich C. White
Miss Josephine Wilkins
F. C. Willcoxon
P. B. Young

The opening prayer was offered by Dr. Edward A. McDowell.

The minutes of the meeting held on December 6, 1944, were read by the Secretary.

1 IT WAS VOTED that the minutes be adopted as read.

A brief report of the meeting of the Committee on Fellows, on December 5, 1944, was made by the Chairman Dr. Forrester B. Washington. At that meeting the following Fellows were nominated: Charles Jones, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; John Ivey, Jr., Knoxville, Tennessee; Mrs. Annie Laurie McDonald, Hickory, North Carolina; Vernon Wharton, Millsaps College, Jackson, Mississippi; Ernest Neal, Dallas, Texas; W. H. Pipes, Southern University, Scotlandville, Louisiana; Captain Robert M. Hughes, Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta; and John William Morgan, Georgia State College for Women, Milledgeville. It was agreed by the Committee, Dr. Washington said, that the staff of the Council should be requested to prepare a manual, giving a detailed description of the work of the Fellows. It was further agreed that an invited Fellow who is on leave of absence outside the region may be considered a resident of the region if he plans to return. In the event he has moved outside this area, however, the Committee agreed that he must be informed of the sections of the By-laws which require that "all members of the corporation shall be residents of this area" and that Fellows "shall, during the term of their fellowship, be members with all the rights and obligations of members, except that they shall be exempt from the payment of dues."

2 IT WAS VOTED that the report be adopted.

Dr. Hancock said that he was very much impressed with the list of Fellows selected. He noticed, however, that they were all from within our own region, and he wondered whether the Council was ready to draw from other regions, thus broadening our scope of activity and answering the charge that we are too provincial. It was the consensus that the Fellows should be selected from the area of the Council.

Mrs. Hamilton asked what the basis was for the selection of Fellows. Dr. Johnson explained that at a meeting of the Committee on Fellows last summer it was the general agreement that Fellows should be preferably people of the young or young middle-age group, but that no definite age limit was set; that they should have shown some talent for leadership in organization or research, or in public relations; that they should be selected to represent a variety of professions. He also called attention to the fact that Council members were expected to nominate Fellows to serve for a period of two years.

Dr. Washington called attention to the fact that the Fellows are not Fellows in the usual sense, but are "free, voluntary field workers who supply information and sometimes, perhaps, work on situations."

Dr. Johnson asked whether Board members would like to have copies of the memorandum sent to the Fellows, outlining ten or twelve different sorts of things they might do and requesting that each one check the things which he would be best able to do. It was the consensus that the Board should be provided with this memorandum.

In the absence of Mr. Virginius Dabney, Chairman, Dr. Johnson made a brief report for the Committee on Public Relations, which held its first meeting on December 5, 1944, with only three of its members present: Mr. Dabney, Mrs. Havens, and Mr. W. Y. Bell, Jr. The possibility of getting a person who would be suitable for public relations and publicity work was discussed. The members also discussed the demobilization of the Service men and the importance of doing something to impress on the public the necessity for post-war planning to take care of the demobilization problems. It was suggested, Dr. Johnson said, that the Council might sponsor a South-wide conference on the post-war period, bringing in some of the chiefs of police and other experts and trying to dramatize the problem as much as possible. Dr. Johnson reported that no formal action was taken at the meeting.

3 IT WAS VOTED that the report be accepted.

Dr. Bond told of a conference of land-grant college presidents among Negroes held in Chicago last fall, when a project aimed at the reintegration of Negro veterans into civilian life was authorized and the president of the conference was instructed to take steps to set up a series of regional conferences, as well as a series of state conferences, taking as a guide the conference held in Virginia recently under the direction of Dr. P. B. Young and President L. H. Foster of the State College. Dr. Bond asked for the cooperation of the Council in this project.

Mr. Preston expressed the opinion that a question as important as this should be given a special place on the agenda. After discussion and on motion of Msgr. McNamara-

4 IT WAS VOTED that the Chairman be empowered to appoint a committee to bring in a report after lunch suggesting ways in which the Council might assist in carrying out the plans of the cooperating Negro educational institutions for the readjustment of Negro veterans.

The following committee was appointed: H. M. Bond, Chairman, Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, Charles S. Johnson, Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton, Clark Foreman, George S. Mitchell, John H. Wheeler, Edmund M. Preston, and N. C. Newbold.

Dr. Johnson reported briefly for the Committee on Publications, stating that arrangements had been made for the preparation of several pamphlets during 1945.

Dr. Odum said that Dr. Alexander hoped to call a meeting of the Committee on Finance, of which he is Chairman, about the sixteenth of February, when he will be in Atlanta.

The report of the treasurer was read. (See attached.)

5 IT WAS VOTED that the report be accepted and filed.

Dr. Clement asked whether the Council has continuing appropriations from any of the foundations. Dr. Odum replied that the General Education Board appropriation is for a period of five years and that it is understood that the appropriation of the Julius Rosenwald Fund is a continuing appropriation. It was agreed that the Committee on Finance should make an effort to get assurance of continuing support from the Fund.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was read by the Chairman Mrs. Henry Havens, as follows:

President- Mark Ethridge
1st Vice President- P. B. Young
2nd Vice President- Homer P. Rainey
3rd Vice President- Carter Wesley
Secretary-Treasurer- Emily H. Clay
Executive Director- Guy B. Johnson
Associate Executive Director- Ira DeA. Reid

For the vancancy on the Executive Committee-
Edmund M. Preston
For the Board of Directors-
Rt. Rev. Charles Clingman

The committee further suggests that the Board of Directors accept the resignation of Mr. Haas from the Executive Committee and that the counsel be made an ex officio member of the Committee.

The committee recommends, also, that Dr. Odum be made a member of the Executive Committee to fill the vacancy.

Mrs. Havens was asked whether all the people nominated had agreed to accept the nominations. She replied that all with the exception of Mr. Ethridge had indicated that they would do so, and that it was understood that he would consider accepting the presidency.

After discussion, Dr. Dent moved that the Committee on Nominations be instructed to call Mr. Ethridge by long-distance telephone to find out, before electing him, whether or not he will accept the presidency. Mr. Preston suggested that it would be better first to have a vote on whether or not the Board wanted to invite him to become President.

The advisability of electing Mr. Ethridge, in view of his remarks concerning segregation at the FEPC hearings in Birmingham in 1942, was discussed. Dr. Bond stated that the Committee on Nominations, of which he was a member, was of the opinion that the remarks alleged to have been made by Mr. Ethridge in the Birmingham document "were not too serious an impediment to his elevation to the presidency of the Council."

Dr. Dent said that he would like to withdraw his previous motion and have the Board vote first on the report of the Committee on Nominations.

Dr. Clement spoke in favor of the election of Mr. Ethridge, who in his opinion is "one of the most liberal of living Southerners," and said that his only concern was whether or not Mr. Ethridge would accept. Dr. Clement, therefore, made a motion-

That the report of the Committee on Nominations be tabled until Mr. Ethridge can be consulted.

Dr. Charles S. Johnson expressed the opinion that the main point to be decided at present is whether or not the members of the Board want to elect Mr. Ethridge to the presidency. He said that he took occasion to read the transcript of the Birmingham hearings in which Mr. Ethridge's speech appeared and that he got a very different impression from that which was given by the published reports of the address - one that increased his respect for Mr. Ethridge. Dr. Johnson stated, also, that it was his belief that Mr. Ethridge was describing a situation and that the statement which he made was not his present or ultimate opinion concerning segregation.

Dr. Clement's motion was seconded by Dr. Patterson and, after further discussion-

6 IT WAS VOTED that the report of the Committee on Nominations be tabled.

Dr. Clement said that he would like to propose a motion-

That it would be the sense of this body that after a discussion of segregation, no matter what the decision, we would ask Mr. Ethridge to accept the presidency of the Council.

Dr. Foreman called attention to an article by Dr. Will W. Alexander, entitled "Our Conflicting Racial Policies," in the January Harper's magazine and made a motion-

That the Board go on record as endorsing the article and that this statement be accepted as the Council's policy on segregation; further, that one hundred thousand reprints of the article be ordered and distributed.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Clement.

In the discussion which followed, Dr. Charles Johnson expressed approval of distributing the article, but said he thought it was somewhat irregular to adopt a magazine article as a policy of a body. He said, also, that at the present time he thought it was unnecessary and unwise to make a statement either for or against segregation and that he was opposed to any such statement.

Dr. Mays said it was his opinion that the Council "should be known by its works," and that no statement should be issued on the subject of segregation.

After saying that he was in full agreement with Dr. Charles Johnson's statement, Dr. Clement offered a substitute motion-

That we now have a vote on the question of whether or not Mr. Ethridge shall be invited to accept the presidency of the Council.

7 IT WAS VOTED that his motion be accepted

Dr. McDowell offered an amendment-

That we express it as the consensus of this body that Mr. Ethridge shall be chosen as the President of the Southern Regional Council if he is willing to accept election.

With the approval of Dr. Clement-

8 IT WAS VOTED that the amendment be accepted.

Dr. Young requested Dr. Odum to get in touch with Mr. Ethridge as quickly as possible.

The meeting adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The meeting reconvened at 2:30 P. M., with Dr. Young presiding.

Dr. Guy Johnson read the list of Honorary Fellows elected by the Committee on Fellows and reported that 29 had accepted to date, 3 had refused, and 8 had not replied to the invitation. (See attached list.)

Dr. Johnson said that he and Dr. Reid had made an arrangement with a research specialist to prepare some data suitable for making a large display chart which will be printed. The chart will put emphasis on the South - its people, resources, and problems - and not on the race problem, he said, and will answer the criticism of some people that the Southern Regional Council is interested solely in race relations. Dr. Johnson asked the Board to consider the ques-

tion of whether it would be wise for this Council to sponsor some sort of South-wide, post-war committee composed of fifty or sixty representatives of business, industry, and other interests, which might be the focal point at which this chart and any pamphlets or publicity that grow out of it might be disseminated.

After discussion and on motion of Mr. Rogers-

9 IT WAS VOTED that this Council be authorized to sponsor the formation of a South-wide, post-war committee to consider the general problems of the South.

In the discussion which followed, Dr. Johnson explained that it was thought that a prospectus or pamphlet based on the information contained in the chart would receive much more attention if it were sponsored by a South-wide committee of well-known people, regardless of whether they are connected with the Council.

A substitute motion was offered by Mrs. Hamilton-

That we approve the proposal of the Executive Directors that the information be made available in the form of a prospectus, and that the Executive Committee consider ways of setting up machinery to deal with it.

On motion of Dr. Goodrich White-

10 IT WAS VOTED that the whole matter be referred to the Executive Committee with the unanimous approval of the Board and with instructions that they take action on it.

At the suggestion of Mr. Wilson Brown and on motion of Mrs. Havens-

11 IT WAS VOTED that the report of the Committee on Nominations be brought before the Board for action.

Mrs. Havens reported that efforts had been made to get in touch with Mr. Ethridge, but that he was away from Louisville and could not be reached by telephone before Friday. In presenting the nominations, she asked that the report be accepted and that the Executive Committee be instructed to elect him if he accepts the nomination or, if he declines, that the full slate of officers continue as they stand at present.

On motion of Mr. Brown-

12 IT WAS VOTED that the officers nominated, with the exception of the president, be elected; that Mr. Ethridge be advised that it is the wish of the Council that he accept the presidency; that the Executive Committee be instructed to elect him if he accepts the nomination, and if he declines that Dr. Odum be reelected to the presidency.

On motion of Dr. Clement, seconded by Dr. McDowell-

13 IT WAS VOTED THAT President Rufus B. Atwood, of Kentucky State College, Frankfort, be elected to the Board of Directors.

Dr. Johnson asked for a consideration of the suggested program for 1945,

which was presented by the Executive Directors at the annual meeting and was referred to the Board of Directors for action. The program was outlined as follows:

1- The organization of state divisions of the Council.
2- A series of South-wide conferences.
3- A series of state-wide race relations institutes or forums.
4- A special visiting committee, which would seek private conferences with as many Southern governors as possible.
5- Establishment of a civil rights committee.
6- Youth work.
7- A study of police systems.
8- A study of segregation and discrimination.
9- A primary test case, if it appears that there is no case under way.

14 IT WAS VOTED that this be endorsed as the proposed program for 1945, subject to the limitations of budget and personnel.

Dr. Goode reported that a primary case in Pensacola, sponsored by the Citizens Committee, would be tried on February 2. It was suggested that the Executive Directors keep in touch with the progress of this case.

Dr. Johnson explained that it might be necessary, in consultation with the Executive Committee, to cut down on the program. He reported that on Item 2 we already have called two small meetings- on February 1, the heads of ten state interracial committees; on February 2, a small group of women to discuss a program of action for the prevention of lynching, riots, and other racial friction, especially in the post-war period. On Item 3, he said, the Executive Directors have helped to plan institutes of human relations for Georgia and Virginia. He stated that he and Dr. Reid were of the opinion that Items 6,7, and 8 should have priority, and he asked Dr. Reid to present special memoranda which he had prepared on Youth Work and the Study of Segregation and Discrimination. (See attached memoranda.)

Dr. Hancock expressed appreciation for the memorandum on segregation, but said he wondered whether we should "dissipate our energies on finding out more about segregation, or whether with our limited resources it would be better to do something about the segregation we know about." It was his opinion that "what we need is to change these mores."

Dr. Charles Johnson spoke in support of the study of segregation, which he thought would be a means of educating people. He said, further, that "if we can calculate with some convincing accuracy the cost of segregation, where it works, where it doesn't work, where it is breaking down, it would be tremendously valuable, not simply to the student, but to the practical man of affairs who wants to know in terms of dollars and cents what next steps to take."

Mr. Preston expressed particular interest in the memorandum on Youth Work, but said that he hoped a way could be found to get the cooperation of young people without labeling them as "youth" and segregating them from the older group.

On motion of Dr. Foreman-

15 IT WAS VOTED that the Executive Directors be directed to procure and circulate as many reprints of the Harper's article by Dr. Will W. Alexander as the Council's funds and the paper situation will permit.

The report of the Committee on Veterans' Assistance was read by Mrs. Hamilton. (See attached.)

16 IT WAS VOTED that the report be adopted.

At the request of Dr. Mitchell, Dr. Foreman spoke briefly of the plans of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, of which he is President, and expressed the hope that the two organizations might cooperate in working on Southern problems.

Dr. Guy Johnson reported that, as a result of the special request which was made of Council members recently, we now have approximately 500 nominations on file. He proposed that the Board authorize the election of all those persons who have been nominated and who accept the invitation to become members of the Council.

On motion of Mr. Wilson Brown-

17 IT WAS VOTED that all persons whose nominations are now on file be elected to membership in the Council upon acceptance of the invitation.

On motion of Dr. Odum-

18 IT WAS VOTED to adjourn at 4:45 P. M.

EMILY H. CLAY, SECRETARY

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Report of the Treasurer
February 16 to December 31, 1944

RECEIPTS		
Funds, and Foundations		$ 29,600.00
Church Boards		1,425.00
Membership Dues and Contributions		1,320.50
The Southern Frontier -- Subscriptions		382.00
Mailing List - Subscriptions		179.00
Non-member Contributions		71.00
Miscellaneous - Literature		1,668.81
Commission on Interracial Cooperation, Inc.		
Cash in Bank		194.00
Postage Account		8.69
TOTAL RECEIPTS		$ 34,849.00
DISBURSEMENTS		
Salaries	$ 19,127.93	
Travel Expense	3,920.75	
General and Administrative Expense	10,624.71	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		33,673.39
		$ 1,175.61
Less:		
Balance in Postage Account, Dec. 31	$ 40.23	
Balance in Air Script Account, Dec. 31	144.39	184.62
BALANCE IN BANK, DECEMBER 31, 1944		$ 990.99

HONORARY FELLOWS OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

January 31, 1945

William Y. Bell, Jr.
Room 4, 158 Auburn Avenue, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Miss T. Ruth Brett
Box 76, Whittier Hall
1230 Amsterdam Avenue
New York 27, New York

J. H. Daves
409 Bankers' Trust Building
TVA Knoxville, Tennessee

Miss Dorothy Dickins
Mississippi Experiment Station
State College, Mississippi

The Rev. Jerome A. Drolet
St. Matthias Church
3924 General Taylor Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

S. E. Duncan
Washington High School
Reidsville, North Carolina

Merl Eppse
Tennessee A. & T. College
Nashville 8, Tennessee

John R. Ewbank
Philander Smith College
Little Rock, Arkansas

E. Horace Fitchett
Claflin College
Orangeburg, S. C.

Margaret Fletcher
St. Mary's House
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John Hope Franklin
North Carolina College
Durham, North Carolina

Miss Eva L. Frazer
121 East South Street
Raleigh, North Carolina

Charles G. Gomillion
Box 31
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

Miss Josephine Hamilton
Chattanooga High School
East Third Street
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Captain Robert M. Hughes
Lawson General Hospital
Atlanta, Georgia

R. E. Jones
A. & T. College, Box 68
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Howard Kester
Frogmore Post Office
St. Helena Island, S. C.

Roscoe E. Lewis
Box 101
Hampton Institute, Virginia

Miss Flemmie Kittrell
Home Economics Department
Howard University
Washington 1, D. C.

Mrs. Annie Laurie McDonald
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Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Miss Mildred Mell
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W. H. Pipes
P. O. Box 71, Southern University
Scotlandville, Louisiana

John F. Potts
Chief Specialist (R) USNR
1410 Pine Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Charles A. Ray
Box 628, North Carolina College
Durham, North Carolina

Harry W. Roberts
Virginia State College
Ettrick, Virginia

Asa T. Spaulding
North Carolina Mutual Life Ins. Co.
Durham, North Carolina

Allyn Robinson, Jr.
The United Church
Raleigh, North Carolina

Lt. Vernon Wharton, USNR
1617 Foucher Street
New Orleans 15, Louisiana

G. D. Wilson
3344 Grand Avenue
Louisville, Kentucky

The Following Have Declined Honorary Fellowships

Mrs. Frederick Bolman
Randolph Macon College
Lynchburg, Virginia

John Ivey
Com. on Southern Regional
Studies and Education
Knoxville, Tennessee

Robert H. Sutherland
University of Texas
Austin, Texas

The Following Have Not Been Heard From

Charles Jones
Presbyterian Church
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

H. I. Fontellio Nanton
State Board of Health
Raleigh, North Carolina

G. E. Jones
Shaw University
Raleigh, North Carolina

Enest Neal
Specialist in Race Relations
Southwestern Office, OPA
Dallas, Texas

R. W. Mance
Columbia, South Carolina

George Snowden
Dillard University
New Orleans, Louisiana

John W. Morgan
Professor of Social Science
Georgia State College for Women
Milledgeville, Georgia

Stephen Wright
North Carolina College
Durham, North Carolina

PROPOSED YOUTH SERVICE SECTION
of
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

PURPOSE - To stimulate, initiate and service group consideration and action among young people of the South, particularly college and church groups, the social and economic problems of the South, placing special emphasis upon

1 - Promoting a desire for understanding and discussing these problems, and

2 - Developing a socially constructive point of view with reference to their amelioration -- all within the Southern Regional Council's special fields of interest.

ORGANIZATION - Eventually it is hoped to have a Youth Services Secretary and an assistant or associate Secretary on the Southern Regional Council staff. Since it is desirable to undertake this program immediately it is recommended that the work be initiated as follows

I - Select 2 Fellows, one white, one colored, in each state to serve as organizers of the Youth Service Section in those areas;

II - Have these Fellows prepare lists of youth organizations and their leaders

1. On the various college campuses

2. In the larger church organizations of the larger communities

3. Such state or city-wide organizations of youth as may exist.

Have these lists submitted to Southern Regional Council.

III - Have literature on the South especially designed for these groups prepared for distribution and discussion in these various groups. Send, for example, the UNC Memorandum on Negroes -- preparing a brief list of questions to accompany it. Also, prepare--or have prepared other memoranda for discussion and distribution.

IV - Prepare a discussion or action memorandum for these groups as the basis for informal or formal meetings.

V - Prepare an itinerary for Fellows and/or other SRC representatives to discuss The South: Its Problems and Potentialities (or some kindred subject) at specially designed talk-fests.

VI - Arrange a program of volunteer experience where these students may serve some cause in their home community, as a proving ground for testing their interests and abilities, and as a means for testing what may and may not be done with success.

The promotion of such a program might be based upon a 5 months' budget of $1,200.00 to be expended as follows:

Services and expenses of 26 Fellows in 13 states	@ $25.00 each	$630.00
Literature		250.00
Promotion and Visits of SRC Staff Members		200.00
Incidentals		120.00
		$1,200.00

RACIAL SEGREGATION AND DISCRIMINATION

IN THE SOUTH

The general theories underlying this study are three: first, that in theory segregation is the antithesis of democracy, and in practice means the limitation, and at times abrogation of basic citizenship rights; second, that acceptance of the principle of segregation or of established segregation is not only wrong but impolitic and inexpedient; and, third, that there is an immediate need for ignoring most of the rationalizations regarding segregation and to work out definite techniques and programs for immediate practice.

The purpose of this study, therefore, may be stated, to explore the ways and means of segregation and legalized discrimination in the South, in other words, how they work, and to devise therefrom techniques for promoting both the theory and the structure of equality under the law.

The study would cover the theory and practices of segregation and discrimination in the several states and cities covered by the Southern Regional Council.

The study would be designed to show how segregation works, what people believe about segregation, and what can be done about its patterns and practices.

In its entirety the study should be completed within two years, although sub-portions of it should be available for study and action at intervals of six months' periods following the study's inception.

It is recommended that the Southern Regional Council set up a subdivision of its organization to be known as the Segregation Research Committee, to be composed of selected representatives from research groups and educational institutions, white and colored, to supervise the initiation and conduct of the study for the Southern Regional Council. This Committee will have a paid secretariat, and will be held responsible for the successful promotion of a program for understanding and recommending action regarding its findings .

It is recommended that a budget of $68,600 be allocated for the two year study, $15,000 of which shall be appropriated by the Southern Regional Council, and $53,600 to be secured from other sources.

It is recommended that the study be conducted by the Southern Regional Council, the Institute for Research in the Social Sciences of the University of North Carolina, and the Department of Social Sciences of Fisk University with the assistance of Fellows of the Southern Regional Council. The responsibility for action on any phase of the study and the publication authority shall belong to the Southern Regional Council. Fellows of the Southern Regional Council shall assist in the furtherance of the study.

TENTATIVE BUDGET

	Director - 2 years	@	$6,500	$13,000
	Editorial Assistant - 2 years	@	4,500	9,000
3	Research Assistants - 1½ years	@	2,400	10,600
3	Stenographer Clerks - 2 years	@	1,800	10,800
20	Fellows for special employments averaging, for expenses and honoraria	@	500	10,000
	Meetings and promotion			2,000
	Travel - (other than Fellows)			5,000
	Publications			5,000
	Office expenses and supplies			2,000
	Contingency			1,200
				$68,600

PRELIMINARY RESEARCH MEMORANDUM

RACE SEGREGATION AND DISCRIMINATION IN THE SOUTH

A Series of Studies on the Political, Legal and Economic Aspects of Segregation in Principle and Practice.

THE STUDIES

I. The Economic Cost of Segregation

What is the financial cost of segregated institutions, by type (i.e., schools, hospitals, etc.), by control (public, quasi-public, as railroads, bus lines, etc), by states, by metropolitan districts?

What are the costs in terms of overhead required? Servicing the institution?

What are the costs in terms of discriminatory expenditure of funds?

What would be the cost for similar and equal services for all of the people if there were no segregation?

II. The Legislation of Segregation

An elaboration of the studies by Mangum, Stephenson and Johnson, to show the type, number and nature of segregation laws in each of the states and their smaller political units. The analysis should provide a basis for a legal approach to the problem.

III. Public Opinion and Segregation

An extensive study of contemporary opinion on the practices of segregation and discrimination to be conducted by the Southern Regional Council by such an agency as the National Opinion Research Center of the University of Denver.

IV. The Functioning of Equality Under the Law

An analysis of judicial opinion on the "separate but equal" theory of federal and state legislation. Use such fields as civil rights, residential segregation, etc.

V. Suffrage and Segregation

An analysis of the constitutional and statutory provisions aimed toward Negro disfranchisement, and of the administrational and procedural subterfuges made possible thereby.

VI. Segregation and Discrimination in a Selected Community

A special study of all facets of segregation in a selected Southern community.

REPORT OF THE

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' ASSISTANCE

January 31, 1945

It is recommended that-

1. The Southern Regional Council cooperate in the organization and establishment of state-wide efforts to integrate the returning veteran, and to give particular attention to the needs of the Negro veteran.

2. That a committee be appointed to report to the executive committee on specific ways of cooperation with the plans of the cooperating Negro Education Institutions and to give particular attention to-

a- Tension in places to which veterans are returning.

b- Using the Council's influence, aggressivly to open new employment opportunites.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of the Board of Directors

11/14/45

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by Dr. Howard W. Odum at 5:15 P. M. Wednesday November 14, 1945, immediately following adjournment of the member meeting. The following were present: Will W. Alexander Rufus E. Clement, Virginius Dabney, A. W. Dent, Clark Foreman, C. H. Gillman, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Gordon B. Hancock, Louis I. Jaffe, Guy B. Johnson, Charles S. Johnson, T. James McNamara, Benjamin E. Mays, N. C. Newbold, Howard W. Odum, John G. Pollard, Jr., Ira DeA. Reid, Philip Shulhafer, Forrester B. Washington, Josephine Wilkins, Emily H. Clay, Secretary, Ray Warwick, Director of Public Relations, and Mrs. Inez B. Tillison, Office Manager, At the invitation of Dr. Odum, Mrs. Henry Havens, George S. Mitchell, and Mrs. M. E. Tilly sat in the meeting.

Msgr. McNamara, reporting for the Nominating Committee, of which he was Chairman, read the following nominations for officers for the coming year.

President	-	Paul D. Williams, Richmond, Virginia
First Vice President	-	P. B. Young, Norfolk, Virginia
Second Vice President	-	C. F. Palmer, Atlanta, Georgia
Third Vice President	-	Carter Wesley, Houston, Texas
Secretary-Treasurer	-	Emily H. Clay
Counsel	-	Leonard Haas
Executive Director	-	Guy B. Johnson
Associate Executive Director	-	Harold L. Trigg

In response to inquiries, Dr. Odum, Mr. Dabney, and Dr. Hancock, spoke of the excellent qualifications of Mr. Williams for the office of President and, on motion, duly seconded-

1. IT WAS VOTED that Mr. Paul D. Williams be elected President of the Southern Regional Council.

Miss Wilkins nominated Commander Frank W. Spencer, of Savannah, Georgia, for the office of Second Vice President. After discussion and on motion, duly seconded-

2. IT WAS VOTED that Commander Spencer be elected Second Vice President.

Dr. Clement moved, and it was seconded, that Dr. Gordon B. Hancock be nominated as First Vice President. Dr. Hancock expressed appreciation for the nomination, but said that he could not accept and that he wanted to see Mr. Young reelected as First Vice President of the Council. The motion was lost.

Dr. Clement moved, and it was seconded, that President A. W. Dent be nominated as Third Vice President. Mr. Dent said that he would like to decline the nomination, as he thought there was a distinct advantage in having Mr. Wesley continue in office, because of the tremendous influence he wields through the chain of newspapers he owns in Texas. The motion was, therefore, withdrawn by Dr. Clement.

On motion, duly seconded-

3. IT WAS VOTED that the slate as amended from the floor be declared elected.

Dr. Guy Johnson explained that it was desirable to have an Assistant Secretary-Treasurer and on motion, duly seconded-

4. IT WAS VOTED that Mrs. Inez B. Tillison, Office Manager be elected Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.

Msgr. McNamara presented the following nominations from the Nominating Committee to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors:

Ira DeA. Reid, Georgia, to succeed Harold L. Trigg, who will become an ex officio member;
Howard W. Odum, North Carolina, to succeed James L. Robb, who resigned because of ill health;

David D. Jones, North Carolina, to succeed Horace M. Bond, who has moved outside the Region.

On motion, duly seconded-

5. IT WAS VOTED that Ira DeA. Reid, Howard W. Odum, and David D. Jones, be elected to fill the unexpired terms of Harold L. Trigg, James L. Robb, and Horace M. Bond, respectively.

Msgr. McNamara reported that the Nominating Committee recommended that the Board be enlarged and that the following be nominated for election as new members

of the Board:

Barry Bingham, Kentucky
Stanley Brav, Mississippi
Hodding Carter, Mississippi
R. P. Daniel, Florida
P. H. Easom, Mississippi
Gordon Gray, North Carolina
John A. Griffin, Georgia
J. R. Henderson, Georgia
Watts Hill, North Carolina
Maynard Jackson, Georgia
Armand May, Georgia
Alfred Mynders, Tennessee
C. H. Parrish, Jr., Kentucky
E. A. Penick, North Carolina
J. W. Seabrook, North Carolina
Mrs. Eugene H. Spearman, South Carolina
J. M. Tydings, Kentucky
Aubrey Williams, Alabama
Marion A. Wright, South Carolina
Mrs. Warren Zeuch, Florida

6. IT WAS VOTED that the persons nominated as new members be elected to the Board of Directors for a four-year term.

The question was raised as to whether the nomination for Associate Executive Director was on the slate which was adopted. Msgr. McNamara stated that the name of Dr. Harold L. Trigg was included. In order to provide opportunity for discussion of Dr. Trigg's qualifications, on motion, duly seconded-

7. IT WAS VOTED that the nomination of Dr. Trigg be reconsidered.

Dr. Newbold commented on the high qualifications of Dr. Trigg for the position. Dr. Clement, speaking as a member of the Executive Committee, stated that for the past year the Committee had been aware of the need for a full-time Associate Executive Director. As Dr. Reid could not serve on a full-time basis, the Committee had considered several possibilities and had finally voted to offer the position to Dr. Trigg as the best man available.

On motion, duly seconded-

8. IT WAS VOTED that Dr. Trigg's election as full-time Associate Executive Director be confirmed.

Mrs. Hamilton asked that our Counsel, Mr. Leonard Haas, be requested to determine from the Income Tax Division of the Department of Internal Revenue within what limits an organization of this sort can take action in regard to legislation and retain its tax-exempt status.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 P. M.

EMILY H. CLAY, SECRETARY

Meeting of Board of Directors
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
November 13, 1946, 4:30 P. M.

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by the President, Mr. Paul D. Williams, Wednesday afternoon, November 13, 1946, at 4:30 o'clock, in the Exhibition Room of the Atlanta University Library immediately following the annual meeting of members. The following members were present:

Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames
R. B. Atwood
Rufus E. Clement
Virginius Dabney
John A. Griffin
Leonard Haas
Gordon B. Hancock
Guy B. Johnson
Benjamin E. Mays
T. James McNamara
N. C. Newbold
C. H. Parrish
F. D. Patterson
John G. Pollard, Jr.
G. D. Rogers
Mrs. Eugene H. Spearman
Harold L. Trigg
J. M. Tydings
Josephine Wilkins
Paul D. Williams
Marion A. Wright
Mrs. Warren Zeuch

From the SRC staff: Ray Warwick, Mrs. Henry Havens, Miss Emily Clay and Mrs. Inez B. Tillison.

At Mr. Williams' request, Dr. Patterson presided over the meeting. Dr. Clement, reporting for the Nominating Committee, of which he was chairman, read the following nominations for officers for the coming year:

Paul D. Williams, Richmond, Virginia	-	President
P. B. Young, Norfolk, Virginia	-	First Vice-president
Frank W. Spencer, Savannah, Georgia	-	Second Vice-president
Carter Wesley, Houston, Texas	-	Third Vice-president

On motion duly seconded and carried,

1. IT WAS VOTED that the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted as read.

Question was asked whether these officers had been contacted to determine whether they would be willing to serve, as none of the vice-presidents had attended the annual meeting. It was stated that the Nominating Committee had assumed these men would continue to serve, as all of them have shown interest in the work and have attended meetings during the year even though not present today.

BUDGET FOR 1947

Dr. Johnson read to the Board a Tentative Budget for 1947 as drawn up by the staff. (See Copy Attached)

BUDGET FOR 1947, Continued.

After some discussion concerning the Budget, on motion duly seconded and carried,

2. IT WAS VOTED that the Board of Directors accept the information regarding the 1947 Budget; and that it be submitted to the Finance Committee to make recommendations to the Executive Committee for action.

On motion made by Dr. Clement, duly seconded and carried,

3. IT WAS VOTED that the Board of Directors express appreciation for the work of all the staff of SRC and for the leadership of Mr. Paul Williams as president during the past year.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted,

Inez B. Tillison, Secretary

ESTIMATED BUDGET 1947

1. Based on Present Staff and Activities

Salaries	$40,000.00	
Travel - Entertainment (including Board of Directors and Executive Committee)	7,500.00	
Rent	1,560.00	
Research and Special Services	2,500.00	
Telephone and Telegraph	660.00	
Supplies and Equipment	3,500.00	
Printing - Literature	6,300.00	
Subscriptions and Clippings	200.00	
Postage - Express	2,000.00	
Miscellaneous	500.00	
TOTAL		$64,720.00

2. Additional Needs for Expanded Program

Conference Council Fellows 1947			$ 1,500.00	
Conference State Committee Directors			1,000.00	
Additional Staff			18,300.00	
3 field workers at	$3000	$9000		
2 stenographers at	2400	4800		
Travel	5000	5000		
Additional Travel for Present Staff			2,500.00	
Anti-lynching Campaign			2,000.00	
Police Institutes			3,000.00	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL NEEDS				$28,800.00
GRAND TOTAL				$92,520.00

ESTIMATED INCOME FOR 1947

Foundation Grants	$37,300.00
Church Agencies	5,000.00
Dues	4,000.00
Contributions	5,000.00
Mailing List	1,000.00
Literature	2,000.00
TOTAL	$54,300.00

Estimated Budget Based on Present Staff and Activities	$64,720.00
Income for 1947 (Estimated)	54,300.00
Needed to Balance Minimum Budget	$10,420.00

Estimated Budget Based on Expanded Program	$92,520.00
Income for 1947 (Estimated)	54,300.00
Needed to Balance Expanded Budget	$38,220.00

May 28, 1947

Report of Harold L. Trigg, Associate Executive Director

to

The Executive Committee

The phases of the Council's work which have absorbed most of my time during the past 3 months are in the main three:

1. Vocational Education for Negro Veterans

Under Dr. George Mitchell's direction SRC's Veterans Services Division was instrumental in establishing contact between the Negro Veteran and Federal, state and local agencies in the 13 states of the Region. The Veteran learned of the services available to him, and the agencies learned that the Veterans wanted the services. The two attained a workable interrelation.

Since April 1, 1947, and as one of our 1947 objectives, I have been visiting states of the region to study the availability of trade and industrial education (other than agricultural) on the secondary level in institutions, public and private.

In North Carolina the work is well established. In Virginia it is expanding. In both states, regional vocational schools are in the planning. Cooperation between Regional Veterans' Administration officials and State Departments of education is the crux of the problem. North Carolina has it, Virginia is beginning to make the adjustment.

Difficulty in securing data on programs for Negro veterans has been a serious handicap. Dr. Mitchell succeeded in getting VA in Washington to revise the Hollerith tabulation cards so as to show breakdown by race. The information will now be available.

The Council continues to assist the Bi-Racial Committee of Jacksonville, Florida in the implementation of the Survey completed May 1946. A branch of the National Urban League has been approved and other objectives are being achieved.

A major function of the Council is to interpret the regional approach to southern problems. In the performance of this function, I have spoken to the following groups:

1. Young Peoples Fellowship, All Saints Episcopal Church, Atlanta. (mostly Georgia Tech students)

2. "Fireside Chats", Jackson, Tennessee, Negro Agricultural officials.

3. N. C. Interracial Commission, Eastern Division, Raleigh, Western Division, Asheville, North Carolina.

4. Booker T. Washington High Night School, Atlanta.

5. Wesleyan College, Macon, Two classes in Sociology and the College Assembly.

6. Morris Brown College, Atlanta, Assembly.

7. Bishop Payne Divinity School, Petersburg, Virginia, Commencement.

I also attended the meeting of the advisory council to the Committee on Southern Regional Studies, May 24.

The purpose of SRC is now boiled down to the brief statement: To render maximum aid to the Southern Region in the transition from emphasis on race to emphasis on the full use of regional resources--natural, social, human. Southern people like this. It is concrete, hopeful and attainable.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting of the Executive Committee
February 25, 1948

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council met in the offices of the Georgia Committee on Interracial Cooperation at 10:00 A. M., on February 25, 1948. The following members were present:

Mr. Paul D. Williams
Dr. Harold Trigg
Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Miss Josephine Wilkins
Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Dr. George S. Mitchell

Msgr. T. James McNamara

Mrs. Henry Havens, Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Mrs. M. E. Tilly and Mr. Harold C. Fleming also were present.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Paul D. Williams. Dr. Harold Trigg gave the invocation.

On motion made by Dr. Clement and seconded by Dr. Johnson,

1. IT WAS VOTED that the reading of the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of November 11, 1947, be dispensed with and that the minutes be approved as submitted in writing to the individual members of the Committee.

Membership and Finance Report

Mrs. McKoy gave the membership report, showing an increase of 244 members since November 12, 1947, making the total current membership 2,520. Florida was shown to have the largest number of members, with Georgia second, and North Carolina third.

Mrs. McKoy next reviewed the financial situation, which, at the time of the annual meeting, already had become a matter of considerable concern. It was estimated at that time that a deficit of somewhat more than four thousand dollars would accrue in Council operating funds by the end of the year. This forecast had been more than realized, and at year's end it had been necessary to borrow from the Citizens Trust Company $3,000 in order to meet payrolls and other necessary expenses, and this despite a $2,000 advance payment from the Julius Rosenwald Fund on 1948 appropriations. True, the loan had now been repaid, as well as all other outstanding indebtedness at the close of the year, with the sole exception of a portion of the printer's bill. None-the-less, the problem of absorbing the 1947 deficit out of first quarter, or even second quarter 1948 income was proving to be a very real and pressing one.

Dues payments and contributions had been coming in well, the former totaling $507.00 and the latter $364.00. In addition, dues payments of State Divisions had come to $130.00, and contributions to $344.50. Total receipts for 1948 had so far amounted to $10,033.52, and this, added to the cash balance on January 1 of $1,673.66, made a total of $11,707.18. Disbursements,

however, had almost equaled this sum with a total of $11,328.03, so that, currently, the Council had a cash balance of only $379.15. With a payroll of almost $1,200.00 due at the end of the week, request had been made of the Citizens Trust Company for another short-term loan of $2,500.00 in order to tide the Council over until other appropriations fell due. There was full expectation that this loan would be granted.

The annual audit had been made the first of the year by Mr. Harold Carson, who had prepared it as usual on the basis of receipts and expenditures. This method of presentation, however, was felt by Mrs. McKoy to be an inadequate and unsatisfactory one in view of the financial straits in which the Council found itself, and she had asked him to recast it in such a way as to bring out clearly the actual condition, providing a balance sheet which would show not only what moneys had come in and what had been paid out, but assets and liabilities, and the actual amount of the deficit. Mr. Carson had undertaken to do this, but when he resubmitted his audit it contained so many discrepancies, the audit was still felt to be unacceptable. Mrs. McKoy gave as examples of this the fact that in his list of expenses Mr. Carson failed to include expenses that had been incurred but not paid for, although these were included in his list of accounts payable; that in indicating the status of State Division accounts he had shown the Council as owing South Carolina $24.00 instead of the $36.00 owed; Mississippi $22.50 instead of the $245.00 actually due; Florida as being owed $8.50 instead of owing the Council $128.99. Also, on his balance sheet he had shown the deficit as being $3,424.15, whereas on page 2 it was shown as $2,771.49, and on page one he had shown the amount of excess expense over income as only $1,614.68. The overall differences, Mrs. McKoy said, tended in the main to cancel each other out, so that the net result was not too seriously in error. None-the-less, she felt that at this time it was especially important that every aspect of the Council's financial condition be as accurately reflected in the audit as possible.

On motion made by Dr. Trigg and seconded by Miss Wilkins,

2. IT WAS VOTED that the Council withhold approval of the audit report until discrepancies between the report and the books are adjusted.

On motion made by Miss Wilkins and seconded by Dr. Johnson,

3. IT WAS VOTED that the Executive Director be authorized to explore the possibility of changing the auditor for another fiscal year.

Dr. Mitchell reviewed the positions now occupied on the staff, stating that he did not see how we could dispense with any of the permanent persons on the staff at present. He stated further that the only possible way he could see to cut expenses would be to discontinue publication of New South.

Dr. Trigg inquired as to the possibility of a request for funds from foundations.

Dr. Mitchell said that he had been to see an official of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, but had found the prospects of a contribution not very encouraging. He suggested that Mr. Williams and Dr. Trigg go to see Mr. Spaulding and Dr. W. C. Davison on their way home from this meeting.

Dr. Clement inquired whether any application has been made to the Commonwealth Fund (Harkness money) or to the Spelman Fund.

Miss Wilkins asked why, with the organization going into the red, we continue to look for an Associate Director.

Dr. Clement suggested that, instead of hiring an Associate Director, the Council follow the practice of calling upon four of five persons in Atlanta for information and advice. Dr. Trigg observed that these might function as a local advisory committee.

Miss Wilkins suggested that we engage a part-time counselor, saying that in her opinion an organization with the staffing of the Southern Regional Council is not justified in hiring two top-salaried persons.

Mr. Williams said that it was of the greatest importance, in mentioning the set-up of the organization, to be able to state the proportion of Negroes to white persons on the staff, and also important to be able to say that a Negro is Assistant to the Director.

Dr. Trigg observed that the proportion of Negroes to whites on the staff is the lowest it ever has been.

Dr. Mitchell said that he might be able to make out with a systematic advisory arrangement.

Miss Wilkins asked whether, in order to put the matter on a business-like basis, we could get a group of people who are in an advisory capacity to meet once a week.

Mr. Williams thought it would be advantageous to have persons available as consultants, if only on a part-time basis.

Dr. Clement suggested that $1,500 per year, divided among three men on the basis of $500 each for consultant's services, would be proper.

On motion made by Miss Wilkins and seconded by Dr. Johnson,

4. IT WAS VOTED that the Chairman and Dr. Rufus E. Clement be authorized to select three Negro persons to serve as consultants to the Southern Regional Council, and that these consultants be paid an honorarium of five hundred dollars each per fiscal year.

Mr. Williams said that he had talked with Mr. Louis Reynolds of Reynolds Metals, and thought we might get something from their Fund.

Dr. Mitchell stated that he was still hopeful that the John Bulow Campbell Foundation will contribute five thousand dollars for each of two years for the police project. The Board meeting of the Foundation is to be held in March or April.

He said that many individual council members have contributed more than ten dollars each to the Council, and called attention of the Committee to the list of those who had so contributed. A good many persons now give more than just dues, which means we may be able to raise the dues to five dollars.

Mr. Williams suggested that a letter be written to Mr. G. D. Rogers of Florida, and requested Dr. Mitchell to do this. He also said that serious thought should be given to the matter of raising dues to five dollars. He, himself, would go to see Mrs. Lucius Eastman of New York in the hope of getting a contribution, and asked that her address be sent him. He suggested also that Committee members inform the staff of any individuals or organizations who might contribute money to the Council.

Dr. Mitchell reported that investigation of retirement plan possibilities for the Council staff revealed it is best to wait for our inclusion in the Social Security set-up.

Mr. Williams recalled that the Executive Committee had been given carte blanche to invite selected individuals to serve on the Advisory Committee.

Miss Wilkins stated that she would like the Executive Committee Meeting to be held in September rather than in June. Dr. Mitchell said the next Executive Committee meeting probably would be held September 15.

Dr. Mitchell said he believed it would be helpful if the State Divisions and affiliated Interracial Committees would contribute their ideas as to program for the Council before the next annual Meeting.

Miss Wilkins agreed that this was a good idea and suggested that Dr. Mitchell write the Divisions and Committees.

Dr. Mitchell said that the staff will undertake to query State Divisions and affiliated State Committees at an early date asking for their proposals for program and policy for 1949. He expected that Divisions and Committees would take some months to get this up. The staff will gather this material in ample time to draw it up into general recommendations for program and policy, which would be sent to members of the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the next meeting of the Executive Committee. The proposed budget for 1949 will accompany this data.

Dr. Trigg said that Dr. H. Shelton Smith at Duke University has expressed himself as interested and eager to do something.

Mr. Williams suggested that Mr. J. M. Tydings would make a good Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Dr. Clement said that he believed the President of the Council would make the best Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Miss Wilkins inquired about the possibility of appointing some Vice-Chairmen.

Dr. Clement suggested the following members for the Finance Committee: Mr. Paul Williams, Dr. Will W. Alexander, Dr. Charles S. Johnson and Mr. J. M. Tydings.

Mr. Williams remarked that Mr. John Wheeler of Durham, North Carolina, would be a good man to serve on this committee.

On motion made by Dr. Clement and seconded by Miss Wilkins,

5. IT WAS VOTED that the following constitute the Finance Committee: Mr. Paul Williams, Dr. Charles Johnson, Mr. J. M. Tydings, Dr. Will W. Alexander and Mr. John Wheeler.

Mr. Williams said that it would be desirable for the staff to work out assistance, send material, etc., to the State Divisions re cultivation of new members.

Dr. Clement suggested that Dr. Lawrence Reddick of Atlanta University might help on the honor award problem. The facilities of Atlanta University would be available, and the Schomburg Roll would be available.

Mr. Williams read a telegram from Mr. Gordon B. Hancock, regretting his inability to attend the Executive Committee Meeting.

Dr. Mitchell gave a review of his activities in connection with getting the Southern Governors to lead the South in taking the initiative to grant full civil rights to its citizens.

A discussion of this matter followed in which Ralph McGill's reference to the Southern Regional Council on a CBS broadcast, Sunday, February 22, was mentioned. Dr. Mitchell said that Dr. Charles Johnson had called from New York regarding the McGill broadcast.

Dr. Mitchell read a telegram received from Mr. Walter White of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, as follows:

> "Ralph McGill over CBS Sunday, February 22, stated that Southern Regional Council opposed Federal action on civil rights issues. Important that it be known if he has correctly stated position of the Council, especially since Mr. McGill emphasized that Negro members of Council are opposed to Federal action. This request for clarification of collective and individual opinions of Southern Regional Council is being sent at instructions of NAACP committee on administration. Please wire reply collect after your meeting Wednesday."

After discussion, on motion made by Dr. Clement and seconded by Dr. Johnson,

6. IT WAS VOTED that the Executive Committee reaffirm the position of the Southern Regional Council and wire Mr. White as follows:

> "Mr. McGill did not state the Southern Regional Council's position in his radio broadcast over CBS last Sunday. The Council has never opposed Federal legislation in the area of civil rights. At the same time we have always urged the South to assume its responsibilities in guaranteeing the civil rights of its people."

It was brought to the attention of the Committee that Dr. Mitchell had been invited to serve as Chairman of the Executive Council of Highlander Folk School. General discussion followed as to whether it would be wise for Dr. Mitchell to accept this post. A letter from Mr. P. B. Young, expressing disapproval of Dr. Mitchell's acceptance of this Chairmanship, was read.

On motion made by Miss Wilkins and seconded by Dr. Johnson,

7. IT WAS VOTED that the Director of the Southern Regional Council be left free to use his own discretion in the matter of serving as Chairman of the Executive Council of Highlander Folk School.

Miss Wilkins suggested that, if the Southern Regional Council should appear on the letterhead of the Highlander Folk School as Dr. Mitchell's organizational connection, some note be carried that organizations are listed for identification purposes only.

Dr. Mitchell outlined to the Committee some ideas for projects he is hopeful the Council may be able to develop. One is a visual education project, involving the production of a motion picture or other visual material on "The Peoples of the South," to be shown in rural and small town schools, churches and other gathering places. The idea is to show to the people of the South the diversity of origin of its inhabitants, and to teach them something of the culture of the various racial groups represented in the region.

Another idea presented briefly by Dr. Mitchell dealt with a study of the medical aspects of sex crimes, with particular reference to their crossing of racial lines. The understanding which should result from this study would be of great benefit to citizens, to physicians and to law enforcement officers.

Still another project on which the Council is actively working, Dr. Mitchell said, is a pamphlet on tenancy legislation for distribution by the Council.

Dr. Mitchell said that the Council has had a clumsy method of handling contributions made to the Council for the benefit of the State Divisions. The present procedure is that we deposit the check in our bank and then send the Council's check to the State Division. He suggested a simplification of this procedure which would have the Division deposit contributions in their bank, sending the Council a duplicate deposit slip. Dr. Mitchell stated that it is important that we find some way for the Council to get credit for money raised by affiliated Interracial Committees.

In speaking of the organization of Interracial groups, Dr. Mitchell said that we have an informal agreement with the American Council on Race Relations that, if any question arises, the Southern States will be left to the Southern Regional Council, with the single exception of the State of Oklahoma.

Requiring the appointment of a standing Resolutions Committee,

8. IT WAS VOTED that the Chairman should appoint such a committee.

(N. B. Subsequently the Chairman appointed Mr. Marion A. Wright, Mrs. W. H. Borders and Dr. Forrester B. Washington).

Dr. Mitchell observed that it is important that we have an unhurried meeting of the Board following the next Annual Meeting.

Mr. Williams said that at the last meeting we passed an amendment to the Constitution making the heads of State Divisions ex-officio members of the Board of Directors, and suggested that we do the same for heads of affiliated Committees and closely related groups.

On motion made by Dr. Mitchell and seconded by Dr. Johnson,

9. IT WAS VOTED that the Executive Committee do now authorize the staff to invite to the next membership meeting of the Council the heads of affiliated State Interracial Committees and any other such committees deemed to be closely affiliated with the work of the Council, and that the Executive Committee do now recommend to the Board and the membership such a change in the Board of Directors as will open ex-officio vacancies to these persons.

Dr. Mitchell offered a word of caution on the Southwide Meeting on Civil and Human Rights, scheduled for February 27, to the effect that we need to make it clear, in conducting that meeting, that it is not an effort to push a particular political program but is a meeting to obtain wider understanding throughout the South of the need for extension of human and civil rights in the region.

Mr. Williams stated that the date for the next Executive Committee Meeting would be around the middle of September.

On motion made by Miss Wilkins, the meeting was adjourned.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted,

Agnes McKoy

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

SRC-Exec. Ctee
Minutes & Agenda

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
September 15, 1948

Invocation
Roll Call
Minutes of last meeting

Staff reports:
General Report - Dr. Mitchell
Membership and Financial Reports - Mrs. McKoy
Publications - Mr. Fleming

Business from previous meetings of this Committee, of the Board, and of the Membership.

1. Plans for the Annual Meeting, November 10th.
   a. Change in time of meeting of Executive Committee and Board Meetings
   b. The Agenda for the Annual Meeting
   c. Recommendations to the Board and Membership, the opening of ex-officio vacancies to heads of affiliated State Committees, and others deemed to be closely affiliated with the Council. (Ex.Com.mtg. 2/12/48, #9)
   d. Provisions for convening the nominating committee for making nominations for 8 - 10 board vacancies.
   e. Consideration of means of ridding the Board of inactive members
      - Attendance records
      - General policy ruling
   f. Clarification of status of board membership:
      When State Division heads holding regular memberships became also ex-officio members, did regular memberships thereby become vacant?
      Non-payment of dues by board member

2. Preparation, for sending to the Board by October 10th, (30 days before meeting) proposed program and budget for 1949. (Bd.mtg. 11/12/47, #9)

3. Honor Award -- Devise for recommendation to the Board, means of recognition of such persons in the South as make outstanding contribution to progress of the Region, such citations to be given ample press publicity.

4. Creation of appropriate standing committees drawn from Board members, and based on special talents and capacities of the Board. (These Committees to work with the staff and on the program -- Bd. mtg. 11/11/47, #12)

5. Prepare, for pre-membership Board Meeting:
   a. Report of Executive Committee's transactions during the year.
   b. Recommendations as to confirmation of Staff Officers for 1949 (By-laws, Article VI, Section 1)

New Business:
1. Matter of the Auditor -- Authority to employ Mr. Campbell permanently
2. Request for specific grant from GEB General Education Board
3. Arrangements for meetings of the Finance Committee (?)
4. Plans for further sale of Literature
5. Civil Rights pronouncements
6. Plans for the Staff, 1949
7. Shall dues be raised?
8. Report on Fellows

Supplementary Memorandum to the Executive Committee

September 15, 1948

The request to the State Divisions and State Committees for advice on policy and program for 1949 brought little response. Each organization was originally written to April 12, 1948, with a follow-up August 13, 1948. Replies were requested for "early September". Thus far we have had replies from only Four organizations, summarized as follows:

Alabama. The Executive Committee of the Alabama Division approved the topics tentatively suggested by the Council (extension of the franchise, police protection, employment opportunities, and improved educational opportunities) and added welfare services for children. They wished more work done to build membership, and wished New South and occasional pamphlets to be kept up.

North Carolina. The Director wrote August 21 that they were having so much difficulty working out their own program that they had little to offer.

Mississippi. Mr. Schaeffer wrote August 13 "The Council is doing fine work and needs no special change in program or policy. If some provision could be made immediately after the national elections to hold public meetings all over the territory, and present the stand of the Council, and definite statements of position be formulated, it might consolidate opinion and awaken new study and interest on the part of many. Have we decided 'How far the Council is ready to go' and 'How far the people have come'?".

Georgia. Dr. Russell wrote August 16 advising locality meetings to educate people in the worth of the individual, better finances for State Committees, any free literature distributed by the Council to have the label of the State Committee and an accompanying statement, linking the work of the two agencies, the state committees and the Council to work intensively on getting more Negro policemen and more Negro jurymen.

MEETING OF THE STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF S.R.C.

September 15, 1948

The Standing Finance Committee of the Board convened immediately following the meeting of the Executive Committee which all had attended except Dr. Alexander. The following members were present:

Dr. W. W. Alexander
Dr. Charles Johnson
Mr. J. M. Tydings
Mr. John Wheeler
Mr. Paul Williams

Also attending the meeting were Dr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director of the Council, Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary-Treasurer, and Mr. Charles Smith of Washington, now connected with the Council in a special research capacity.

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Mr. Williams: Dr. Charles Johnson and I must discuss immediately a date for us to meet in New York to go to the Foundations.

Dr. Charles Johnson: It is very important that you, as President of the Council, be present. I think possibly the Executive Director should be there. He has the program, and he has sold some things to the Rosenwald Fund almost every time he has been there.

Mr. Williams: George, will you meet with us after this meeting?

Dr. Mitchell: I have sent a lengthy letter to GEB, with copies to some of you, with a report on our expenditures during the last five years and a plea for a further appropriation. As to amount to be asked for, we can leave that until after we get up there, but today we want to set the date for seeing them.

Mr. Williams: Can any members present put forth names of individuals or organizations you might to to to help wipeout this year's deficit - this

year. At the annual meeting I think the Finance Committee ought to get together again. We can report results of our New York meeting, and explore things for next year and subsequent meetings. But, what do you think of trying to get this year's deficit wiped out now? Roughly, it'sabout $13,000 - an operating deficit this year of $8,000 but we are carrying last year's deficit of $5,000. Of course, our goal could be $15,000. This fellow Stark in Cincinnati - Mr. Tydings, could you go up to see him and present the aims of the Council? What do you think he would give -- $2,000?

Mr. Tydings: I have never been able to get more than $1,000. - Schmidtlapp Foundation. Another thought occurs to me - why not use Mrs. Havens in some capacity to make contacts - Would she be the person?

Dr. Mitchell: Mrs. Havens doesn't get very far beyond Episcopal Church circles. I don't believe she could get big money.

Mr. Williams: I have had talks with Lewis Reynolds and it looked hopeful. I sent here for materials. Had a final talk with him yesterday - he said,"Nothing this year, but maybe next year." I know it came up before the Board. He confused us - he said "Winthrop Rockefeller is tied up with your group."

Dr. Charles Johnson: That is the United Negro College Fund.

Mr. Williams: They get us confused with some other organization or group. I heard from Mr. Boyd, Manager of the Stettinius Fund, after telling him about the work of the Council. He recommended that the Fund make a token contribution this year and a substantial contribution in subsequent years. Mr. Dabney yesterday had not heard from Stettinius but he knew there were the recommendations from Boyd. I should know definitely in the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Tydings: What about the America Tobacco Company?

Mr. Williams: My experience in going out to see Willkie - he finally wrote saying he could not do anything, but would give $1000 toward some specific thing, for which we would need maybe $20,000.

Mr. Smith: Mr. Edgar Kaufman is Counsel to the Richmond and Norfolk newspapers; he is president of one of the organizations. I know him as Chairman of the Norfolk Housing Authority, an outstanding lawyer and counsel to a number of large organizations. He's very progressive-minded, should be active in Council work. I would like sometime to talk to Mr. Kaufman myself but I though maybe Dabney could could do it better. I know him only slightly in the course of professional contacts.

Mr. Williams: I would be glad to go down to see him.

Mr. Smith: He is quite interested in all civic and industrial affairs. I could get a complete dossier on him which I will be glad to turn over to you.

Mr. Williams: Then we will turn it over to the Nominating Committee. Does this Committee have any suggestios for individuals or organizations that we could approach even at this late time to wipe out the deficit?

Dr. Charles Johnson: How much general solicitation do you do outside of the membership?

Dr. Mitchell: Almost none.

Dr. Chas. Johnson: Wiping out a deficit - that is almost a family affair. It is not enough for those persons who are members to give that $3.00. Anybody who is a member could give $10 and some could give more if you asked for it, and if you asked for it around a sufficiently critical situation that did not threaten too much the whole life of the organization. I was thinking - before the November meeting, our own membership could be approached. It certainly isn't too much to ask a person, even though he is just a salaried school teacher, for a contribution of $10 to $50 - which you could easily expect from our membership.

Dr. Mitchell: The compensation for the way we did it last year was around $400, in addition to the pledges.

Dr. Chas. Johnson: Don't do it as part of the membership letter but as a special letter around the issue itself, and using the appeal of the South's attempting constructive work - do something about itself against this whole pressure of criticism from other points of the country and the whole world, in fact, and the desire of some people to do it.

Dr. Mitchell: When we mail them New South this time we might put in that appeal - that we need more money, etc.

Dr. Chas. Johnson: These two types of people would be valuable: Active operating members of the National Planning Association working on this Southern program, mostly people who have great public spirit and little money; and a second groups is Southerners living outside the South. Every week or so I see where a man has been made President of a great Bank in New York - a Nashville,man, a Georgia man, etc. -- they carry with them considerable interest in the region and this is an opportunity to do something about it.

Mr. Smith: What about the Sharecroppers' Fund List?

Mr. Tydings: We have an editor on the Courier-Journal who writes an article in the Sunday paper each week about Kentuckians in New York, and I am wondering if they don't have a list.

Dr. Chas. Johnson: They may have.

Mr. Smith: I bet at Chapel Hill in some of those leadership studies, they have a list.

Dr. Chas. Johnson. Dr. ~~Charlotte~~ Edna Cooper prepared her dissertation on Southerners Who Have Made Good - University of North Carolina.

Mrs.McKoy: Armand May has been suggested to me as a man of wide affairs and very wealthy who might be interested in making a contribution to our work.

Dr. Mitchell: I will see Leonard Haas and talk to him about that.

Dr. Chas. Johnson: Milton Starr owns the Negro theaters and lives in Nashville. He is a frequent contributor to things.

Mr. Wheeler: I believe he spends most of his time in Washington.

Dr. Chas. Johnson: I believe it is Albert or Alfred Starr I am thinking about.

Mr. Williams: I could see him in Washington.

Dr. Guy Johnson: I think you would probably find him at the Cosmos Club.

Mr. Smith: The Ohio Fire Insurance Company helped finance a cooperative service. They have funds which they are permitted to have under state laws for advertising, promotion, good-will, etc. They have followed the practice of making grants to State or regional organizations or cooperatives to spend in furthering their own idea, the theory being that in promoting general education among rural groups, etc., you help to lay a foundation for the sale of insurance policies. I don't know whether you can get any connection as close as that - Negro companies (insurance) which have funds available which they would be spending for good-will purposes.

Dr. Chas. Johnson: As International Harvester Company moves in to the South — Fowler McCormick moves in — Sara Southwall(?) - they are concerned about the South. It would be a good policy to see her. She is retiring and may be out in Arizona. Louise Young would know her address out there. I am thinking also of Col. Palmer, President of the Kingsport Press.

Mr. Williams: I went to see him to give a little brief on the SRC. I did not ask for any money. He is interested in these things and spends a great deal of time on this kind of thing.

Dr. Chas Johnson: I was surprised to learn that it was Col. Palmer who was Chairman of this little Board Committee that was sponsoring work with Negro Boy Scouts.

Mr. Smith: I have known him for a long while and he has certainly done a good work in sanctioning and doing hard work for good movements. I was thinking

Colonel Palmer might advise us of someone in industrial circles who might be good to contact for money.

Mr. Williams: He would be good on the Board. He is a businessman - and we are short of businessmen on the Board.

Mr. Wheeler: On the question of raising the deficit - unless we could make it a family affair, we might make a mistake to ask new contributors to underwrite this.

Mr. Williams: We would not put it on the basis of an old deficit but ask people to give toward plans for the future program.

Mr. Tydings: I wonder if you could put it in a concise letter those main points that you find response to?

Mr. Williams: Unfortunately, I have not had such good response. I've had encouragement at first but when the pay-off comes, they ask me to wait until another year.

Mr. Wheeler: There is Gurney Hood, National Bank Examiner of North Carolina - every year he has gotten good response but this year he's had a very bad response. He is quite concerned. He thinks the Dixiecrats and the Truman Program has actually turned people away from this sort of thing. He's always been enthusiastic but now he's down in the dumps. He feels that he has met very deep-seated resistance. When examined more closely, it meets resistance which is almost basic - we are probably not going to be able to walk up on the bright sight of this -- I think what we are up against is something which is very general and which indicates a great fear in the South that we have done enough along this road and let's stop, because we are probably headed for something we do not want - even if it takes fifty years, we do not want it. It seems to me, we are going to have to open up, be frank, and intensify our educational processes. It seems to me what they have met in North Carolina is really something to be taken note of and you are probably going to have to go at it on a very positive basis - that we are

at a crisis in the South. I think if an article in Reader's Digest could be something like — "A Challenge To The South" - it might be a good thing.

Mr. Smith: The program for next year will be shaped up within the next few months. That kind of statement of program doesn't serve the purpose of interesting outside contributors. You need something streamlined for that. Why is it really necessary to have something to meet that challenge? Put into it just the position, a summary, sufficient background and explanation of the program of the Southern Regional Council, and its plans for dealing with this thing, and all in terms and phraseology designed to arouse the interest of people who would see this as something worth their contributing to — not only a fund-raising challenge but a plan of action. If we all had one of those, it would serve a good purpose.

Mr. Williams: That is just what I have been trying to get at. We need that.

Mr. Smith: I talk to many people about the Council. I feel like I understand its objectives and its program but even so it is hard to get it across.

Mr. Williams: You have to appeal to people's emotions - they have to be aroused.

Dr. Chas. Johnson: There are two ways you get money: (1) From fear; and (2) from the Self-Improvement motive. Of course, you do get some out of good-will.

Mr. Smith: What is the compelling reason that I should give money to this? The Council needs to assure itself of pretty good big money and you have got to go to people who are important and who will only spend it if they see results and a compelling reason.

Mr. Williams: Last year I served on the Board of Trustees for the Family Life Conference. We had set up a goal of $100,000, but finally operated on about $60,000 - and that was headed up by a high-powered group - Eric Johnson, the wife of the President of the National Bank of New York, and others. Eric Johnson had

a difficult job getting $60,000, which was about half the goal. The whole Conference almost fell through. And yet everybody is in favor of family life - but there was no challenge. It's easier to raise seven million dollars on Cancer, for the Red Cross, or something like that — but not for Family Life Conference, although it was called by the President. Everybody is in favor of Family Life but nobody felt compelled. You tell them - and they are impressed- you show its democratic set up — we've been working on segregation day in and day out - just normally and naturally. They say, That's fine. And then you go away - but there is not that something -there- that brings them in. A lot of these people have already done work along those lines and should respond. There's some sort of little bell that we are not ringing.

Mr. Tydings: We are giving democracy a chance to live in the South, with out a lot of mass meetings, shoutings, just naturally and normally, and as it will be done to succeed.

Dr. Mitchell: It's the same thing Dr. Hancock picked out of that blue statement.

Dr. Chas. Johnson: There are three arguments which, summed up, will come close to ringing the bell to get money from these people - those two motives: Fear and Self-interest. In the first place, most people in the South who have money are afraid of having these inequities corrected by the Government; not alone because it would correct the inequities, but because that same arm of government would limit their own earning power, federal control over the life of the region. If, for example, the thing that is going to bring Federal economic control is stimulated by the fact that it is now urgent to bring in social control because of the things happening here, because of the things everybody can see are unjust, even criminal, then he will be enthused enough to support an organization that is trying to stimulate the region itself to correct a lot of these things. He isn't interested in the Negro but he <u>is</u> interested in himself and that becomes the appeal.

Then in another area - the States Rights issue - another appeal is Rights and Duties. A great many people are afraid if they go ahead on the rights of the Negroes they will ride along on their rights and forget their duties to be good citizens. But we all know it is easier to get a man to recognize his duties after he has gotten some of his rights than it is to get the rights in the first place. Put that picture in their heads, letting them know that duty will go along with rights. Another appeal is that the South, justly or unjustly, justas a phrase, is being held up to ridicule throughout the world and then you can see what everybody knows - everybody in the South knows that good things are happening, some good things are being encouraged by good people - but that isn't what you read about in other sections. You read about this one man being killed for voting, not the 100,000 Negroes who voted in Georgia. This has also been done in the fields of health and so on. You hear of the person being denied admission to hospitals and dying as a result. Even if this organization is ineffective in tackling so important a problem as that, it is important to know that there is an organization trying to do something about it, and it can't do it without support - and it can't be effective without that support. The agrument that it is, just doesn't get anywhere. The argument that it is your Christian duty will give you the missionary basket - pennies. Even the argument that you correct these things factually. They will believe the incorrect fact because it fits the logic - the mental makeup of the people.

Mr. Smith: You tend to get good-will, you make it easier for people to identify themselves with the organization, if you not only point out the South's shortcomings but also speak out for the South in what has been accomplished - interpreting to the other sections what the South itself is actually doing - its accomplishments in education, hospitals, etc., - and also pointing out the remaining job to be done.

Mr. Williams: Before Mr. Wheeler and Mr. Tydings go, I should like to ask them for some people we might contact.

Mr. Wheeler: We might ask the Executive Director to prepare a memorandum along the lines of our discussion, containing the arguments, etc., and circulate it to the members of the committee so we would have a standard appeal and we might try to list the places were going to, and among them this independent Aid Foundation. I think Dr. Alexander, Mr. Spaulding and I might make a try at that. Might get the Bank Commissioner to try his luck with Bob Haynes. Watts Hill -- he has lots of commitments - local hospital there.. trying to compete with Duke - but there are persons in North Carolina that we could try for. We might try to talk to Mr. Haynes and he might give us some ideas on Reynolds. And then there's Gordon Gray.

Dr. Mitchell: We went to see Gray once - you might get some money from him.

Mr. Tydings: Barry Bingham - I'll go to see him and try to get an editorial on this. Another fear is Russia - we have a good argument to add to these other three - we are losing the "cold war" in the South - they are taking what we don't do and enlarging it over there.

Mrs. McKoy: Tass has bought some of our pamphlets.

Dr. Mitchell: One day a request came from the State Department and the next day from Tass.

Mrs. McKoy: The Library of Congress has requested bound copies of New South.

Dr. Chas. Johnson: I sat in on the session of the Social and Economic Council in Geneva and heard the tangle between the U. S. Representative and the Russian representative. He had more information about the South than the American representative had. He had the latest items that happened - even news today -

things that had happened since I left the States.

Dr. Mitchell: Could we get Mr. Rogers in Tampa to give us any more money?

Mr. Wheeler: He isn't very well.

Dr. Mitchell: He put up $450 at our meeting last year.

Dr. Guy Johnson: Ed Ray of Tampa is the one to contact him.

Mr. Williams: We will draw up this statement and each member will get that and you can be thinking over other people in your section and elsewhere and we will have to subdivide the activity. Each of us will have to cultivate a few of these people.

Mr. Wheeler: Seems to me it might be blue-printed from here and make your assignments.

Mr. Williams: About the Chairmanship of this Finance Committee — I was glad to servr as Chairman for an interim period but I doubt the wisdom of the President acting as Chairman of the Finance Committee. I don't know whether I ought even to be a member of the Finance Committee. I think my effectiveness would be to call on them as President of the Council and sort o' pave the way for the person who is to do the "shake down" work.

(After some further discussion, Mr. Williams said: "I'll serve at least until the annual meeting and then we will ad to the personnel of the Finance Committee.)

Mr. Tydings: The thing I sense here is we have the people doing the program and operating it, but we don't have anybody working for the financial report.

Dr. Mitchell: The situation is that three-fourths of our money came from GEB and Rosenwald, and we did not worry about it too much. They have both gone and we are living on chicken feed. Mr. Williams, Dr. Charles, and Dr. Alexander will have to hit the Foundations in New York but we are asking the other members to work for any sums they can get, very particularly we have to wrap around Dr. Davidson. They gave the money to the Committee for the South.

Mr. Wheeler: If we are going to see the American Tobacco Company, some of us from North Carolina ought to go. They have their offices in New York but it might help to have some people from North Carolina go. If they found out the Reynolds people were going to give money, they would give some.

Mr. Tydings: In Louisville one of my friends is Vice President and General Manager - Jack Hager, and he could give us all the dope.

Mr. Williams: You get that information and send it to us.

Dr. Charles Johnson: There are another couple of possibilities in Chicago which might be tried. Sears Roebuck has had a policy of making gifts through the stores in the South as one way of cutting down the general income tax and also building good-will. They have a certain amount that can be contributed, and They're probably more concerned with the development of the South. I heard General Wood say one of the fastest growing states in their organization is Mississippi. Contact General Wood who is Chairman of the Board. He has a background in this whole thing. Edgar Stern might pave the way for us. Of course, if you are in Chicago it would be a good chance to begin working with International Harvester and also possibly Marshall Field.

Finished

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

Southern Regional Council

November 10, 1948

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council met in the Conference Room of the Administration Building, Atlanta University, Wednesday Morning, November 10, 1948. The following members were present:

Msgr. T. James McNamara — Dr. Harold L. Trigg

Dr. Guy B. Johnson — Mr. Paul D. Williams

Dr. George S. Mitchell

Others present were Mrs. Havens, Mrs. McKoy and Mr. Charles Smith.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Paul Williams in the absence of the chairman, Dr. Charles S. Johnson.

Dr. Harold L. Trigg led the invocation.

Dr. Guy Johnson moved that the minutes of the previous meeting, which had been mailed to the members of the Committee, be accepted without reading.

MOTION PASSED.

APPROVAL OF LIST OF PROPOSED FELLOWS:

Dr. Mitchell commented on the proposal of the advisory committee. He said that one or two States still had not sent in recommendations. The advisory committee had gone with care into each one. The newly recommended Fellows would bring the list up to 97 Fellows. Dr. Mitchell, for the advisory committee, recommended the names for approval.

On motion of Dr. Guy Johnson, the list of recommended Fellows was approved and referred to the Board of Directors for election. MOTION PASSED.

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS FOR 1949

Dr. Mitchell suggested that the dates for executive committee meetings in 1948 had proved satisfactory. A motion was then made to have similar dates in 1949.

MOTION PASSED TO ACCEPT RECOMMENDED DATES.

Mr. Williams read a report that had been prepared for Dr. Charles S. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee, who was not present.

Dr. Guy Johnson moved acceptance of the report.

MOTION PASSED

Dr. Guy Johnson suggested that the minutes of the meeting be short, and contain the actions, with very brief summaries of discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

Rough draft

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

February 2, 1950

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council met on February 2, 1950, in the Atlanta offices of the Council. President Paul Williams called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. ~~Dr. Gordon Hancock~~ Msgr. McNamara gave the invocation. The following members were present:

Mr. Charles Gillman
Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Dr. Gordon Hancock
Dr. Rufus E. Clement

Monsignor McNamara
Dr. George S. Mitchell
Miss Josephine Wilkins
Mr. Paul D. Williams

Mr. Gillman was able to attend only a part of the morning meeting, and Dr. Rufus Clement was present for the afternoon session only.

Staff members present were: Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Mr. Thomas F. Byrd, Mr. Harold C. Fleming, and Mrs. Agnes McKoy.

It was agreed that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with as they had been mailed out to all members of the Executive Committee.

STAFF REPORTS

General Report - Dr. Mitchell

The Executive Director briefly reviewed the Council's work in the interval since the Novmeber meetings. He had been variously at Lynchburg, Norfolk, Washington, DeLand, Daytona, Miami, Gainesville, Fla., Athens, Ga. and New Orleans.

So much time and work by the Council's staff had gone into efforts to raise money that program had somewhat suffered.

With the aid of extra contributions, some of which came from Mr. Hodding Carter, it had been possible to arrange to mail out Race in the News to all of the two thousand county weekly papers in all of the southern states, and this was proceeding at the date of the meeting.

We had got out a November-December issue of New South andcopy was pretty well in hand for a January-February issue, providing the Committee felt justified in authorizing its issuance.

~~Mr. Harold Fleming~~

Mr. Fleming reported on the good newspaper coverage in the last few months, and reviewed for the Committee, as a matter of information, his personal activities as plaintiff in a law suit lately introduced in Georgia to enjoin the use of the county unit system in counting the ballots in the forthcoming primaries in this state.

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The executive director reported continued steady growth in membership which now totals 3439...the net increase since November, 1949 being 125 members.

~~Mrs. M. E. Tilly~~

Mrs. Tilly described the work being done through the Fellowship of the Concerned which now has in excess of four thousand signatures, mainly from Georgia (where nearly every county is represented) but with increasing numbers from Virginia and North Carolina. These are the signatures of women who have agreed to go and sit in the courts to see that justice is done, and to be available for constructive purposes when needed.

The executive director spoke of the rich opportunity for service involved in the Fellowship of the Concerned, and the urgent need for funds to enable Mrs. Tilly to have secretarial help, travel and postage money, and other things necessary to expanding the movement.

Mrs. Tilly gave some account of recent activities of the Georgia Committee on Interracial Cooperation, particularly in connection with cases of violence and efforts to equalize schooling. She reported the death of the ~~Executive~~ Director of the Georgia Committee, Dr. R. L. Russell. The Executive Committee ordered spread upon the minutes the following resolution:

> "We wish to express our grief at the passing of Dr. R. L. Russell, director of the Georgia Committee on Interracial Cooperation. Dr. Russell's years as a devoted advocate of mutual human dignity crowned a lifetime of service to the cause of religion. His loss is mourned not only by his thousands of friends, but by all the people of Georgia."

A copy of this resolution was to be sent with a letter of condolence to Mrs. R. L. Russell.

* (insert attached)

Mr. Thomas F. Byrd, Associate Director, reported at length on his contacts and efforts to raise funds. He had been in touch with Independent Aid, Marshall Field, Wm. C. Whitney Foundation, Phelps-Stokes Fund, the Commonwealth Fund, the Markel Foundation, the Stetinius Foundation, the James Foundation, the Aron Foundation, and the Rich Foundation. In addition, he had been working with the central offices of a large number of religious denominations as follows:

Seven or eight state conventions of the National Baptist Convention
The Southern Presbyterians
The Northern Presbyterians
The Congregationalists
The A.M.E. Church
The Protestant Episcopal Church
The American Friends Service Committee
The Lutherans
The Christian Scientists

He had also arranged personal contacts with five or six private individuals of considerable means.

It was his opinion that the Council might reasonably expect to receive in this year and in several coming years sums from the religious denominations somewhere around four thousand dollars a year. With the Methodist contributions and others reaching us from a religious interest, we might reasonably hope, these would make a total annual backlog of, perhaps, nine thousand dollars a year.

He dared not predict what might be received from various foundations and individuals approached. Somewhere around ten thousand dollars would be a moderate sum to obtain.

** At this point, the meeting adjourned for lunch.

On reconvening at two p.m. the financial discussion was resumed.

The Council has been able to pay Mr. Byrd's travel expenses promptly, and Mr. Byrd is content for continued postponement of the monthly salary due him from the Council. Mr. Byrd stated that it would be necessary for him to withdraw his full time services in the latter part of April 1950 but that he would wish to assist us from time to time later on.

Mr. Williams spoke of the likelihood of another contribution this year from a contributor which had sent us a thousand dollars in 1949, and another which might be expected to send us $250.00 again this year. He outlined other personal contributions which he thought likely.

** (insert attached)

~~In discussion of the finances~~, Miss Wilkins asked for the exact action of the Board Meeting of November 8, 1949, which was as follows: "the Board upon motion directed that the present staff be given assurance through January 31, 1950, the Executive Committee to meet as early as practicable in January and determine on behalf of the Board what further steps should be taken."

She pointed out that it was the Committee's duty to consider seriously the matter of ultimate responsibility for expenditures in excess of income. It was her view, in which the other members of the Committee concurred, that notwithstanding the limited liability of the Southern Regional Council as a corporation, the members of the Board were the ultimate repository of the moral obligation to stand good for debts which the corporation might incur.

The present situation is that the Council carried over into this year an operating deficit of about five thousand dollars from 1949. It is obligated to pay Mr. Byrd at some date some $3,500 in salary. It is delinquent five hundred dollars in meeting its January payrolls. It is obligated to meet expenses of the home town self survey project amounting to about $2,600 in 1950, and will later on owe Mr. Byrd an additional $3,500. While the indebtedness on the books is currently no more than about five thousand dollars, the additional listed obligations bring the total to $15,100. The Council is operating at present on the greatly reduced basis effected October 20, 1949, at a total monthly expenditure of approximately three thousand dollars.

In the absence of new sources of income, the Council can be entirely sure of an income during the remainder of the 1950 calendar year not in excess of nine thousand dollars. Nevertheless, it seems reasonable to expect that additional income will be found within the next few months of around twenty thousand dollars. If these expectations are realized, the Council will have, therefore, approximately $29,000 for the current year, against which operating expenses during the coming eleven months will be $33,000 to which must be added $14,000 that is accrued and in the course of accrual. The Executive Committee took note of the expectation that the Council will receive in the future quite substantial sum.

Upon careful consideration, the Executive Committee authorized the continuance of the Council's program at its present reduced and skeleton basis through April 30, 1950 and directed that the Executive Committee should meet again on Friday March 31, 1950 to review the situation as of that date. It proposed that if on March 31, the financial situation had not very sharply improved, the Board of Directors should be summoned to meet April 22, 1950.

Dr. Clement and Dr. Hancock undertook to write immediately to approximately one hundred and fifty friends of theirs asking for a contribution as a means of meeting the present emergency.

Mr. Byrd elaborated on an idea that the Council might be found useful and worthy of support in the vigorous effort to speed a change in the South which would ease the employment within the region of the graduates of Negro educational institutions.

The executive director, ~~perhaps plaintively,~~ emphasized the immediate need for cash with which to carry on the program. ~~He, himself, is owed by the Council the~~ sum of fifteen hundred dollars borrowed against a paid-up life insurance policy, plus a hundred dollar loan, plus unpaid salary for January 31; and the secretary-treasurer, Mrs. McKoy, and Mrs. M. E. Tilly were not yet paid for January 31.

As a further means of securing ~~the~~ fifteen hundred dollars, the President of the Council, Mr. Paul Williams, and the secretary-treausrer, Mrs. McKoy executed a promissory note, in behalf of the Council, dated Nov. 1, 1949 , payable at eighteen months to Dr. Mitchell--a measure which had been ordered by the meeting of the Board, November 8, 1949.

Various members of the Committee raised the question of whether the staff and functions of the Council could and should be further reduced at this time. The Committee concurred in the view of the executive director that the present level was the minimum at which activities could be kept up.

Dr. Mitchell deplored the loss to the staff of Mrs. Henry Havens and stated that in the event the Council had funds, it would be his intent to offer Mrs. Havens a new employment arrangement. In this connection, the Committee directed that a letter be written to Mrs. Havens expressing regret that the Council is currently without sufficient funds to continue the use of her services and hope that at a future date it would be possible to advantage the Council in this way again.

After some further general discussion of finances, The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Agnes McKoy, Secretary

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Amendments to the Minutes of the
Executive Committee Meeting, February 2, 1950

The meeting of the Executive Committee on March 31, 1950, directed that the minutes of the meeting of February 2 be amended to show actions taken at that meeting, as follows:

1. Authorization that the Council operate at its then level through March 31.
2. Stipulation that the Executive Committee reconvene March 31.
3. That the Executive Committee inform the Board by letter of its action and caution the Board that it might be necessary to call an emergency meeting on April 22.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Report of the Executive Committee of the Council

to the Board of Directors

April 22, 1950

Your Executive Committee has had two meetings since the last meeting of the Board. These were on February 2 and March 31, 1950.

It will be recalled that the Board in its meeting of November 8, 1949, directed that the then "staff of the Council be given assurance through January 31, 1950, the Executive Committee to meet as early as practicable in January and determine on behalf of the Board what further steps should be taken."

At the meeting on February 2, the Committee discussed the fund-raising efforts under way, canvassed the practicability of further economies in the staff or other expenses of the Council, and undertook a fund-raising letter to be signed jointly by Paul Williams, Rufus Clement, and Gordon Hancock. Reports were made to the Committee indicating a current deficit of about $5,000 overhanging from 1949. Additional obligations were the loan from the Executive Director of $1500, a total accrual of salary for Mr. Byrd until April 1, 1950, amounting to $7,000, and a contingent liability to meet expenses for the second covenanted year for the Home Town Self-Survey project amounting to $2,600. This brought the total obligations of the Council to $16,100. Having in mind the contacts made with various foundation and church bodies, the Committee thought it reasonable to expect that additional income would be found in the early months of 1950 of around $20,000. With the regular income of the Council, this forecast an income for the remainder of 1950 of approximately $29,000, against which operating expenses for the remaining eleven months would be $33,000, to which would have to be added the total of $12,500 of obligations. (Continuance through 1950 would discharge the lia-

bility for the self-survey project.)

The Committee felt it its duty to consider most seriously any such prospective expenditure in excess of income. Although the Southern Regional Council is a corporation, enjoying limited liability, it was felt that the members of the Board were the ultimate repository of the moral obligation to stand good for the debts which the corporation might incur. Under these circumstances, your Committee authorized the continuance of the Council at its then reduced level of operation until March 31, 1950, notice to be sent to members of the Board that it might be necessary to call you into emergency session on April 22.

On the convening of the Executive Committee on March 31, the financial condition had worsened rather than bettered. Foundation requests from which goodly sums were hoped had been turned down, although small grants had been made here and there, notably from the Phelps-Stokes Fund ($1,000) and the Marshall Field Fund ($2,500). The letter which Mr. Clement and others had sent out had netted a total of about $900. Atlanta friends in the American Jewish Committee had pledged about $1,500. The obligation to Mr. Byrd was by his generosity foregone in part, so that the total sum owing to him became $6,000. Adjustments in staff and other economies reduced the probable operating outgo on the present basis to approximately $2,500 a month. Over $1.000 of the overhanging operating deficit from 1949 had been paid off.

Nevertheless, the Council still faced an operating deficit for the remaining nine months of the year totaling $12,000, with total obligations in addition of $11,500, making the possible total indebtedness in the absence of other funds amount on December 31 to $23,500.

The Committee thought it probable that remaining foundations and church organizations with which contact had been made, plus prospective large individual gifts, would net $5,000, thus reducing the prospective deficit to

$18,500.

The Committee concluded that the life of the Council hung upon the raising of approximately $18,000 in a relatively short space of time. It therefore caused the Board members to be notified of the need for such a sum and the possibility of raising it through contributions obtained at the instance of our Board members of $2,000 in each state. It was thought that three states should be exempted, as explained in the memorandum of April 3.

Accordingly, on April 3, you were asked to consider the possibility of raising such a sum and, if you agreed, to begin, and on April 22 to decide as to the plan.

The Committee in calling this extraordinary session of the Board, has had the intent of laying before you the question whether the Council should be continued or should be liquidated. If it is to be continued through 1950, the Committee sees no plan other than the one put before you April 3.

For the Executive Committee

Paul D. Williams

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of the Board of Directors.

November 7, 1950. 10:45 A.M.

The Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council met in the Lounge of the Phyllis Wheatley Branch of the Y.W.C.A., 599 Tatnall Street, S. W., Atlanta, Ga., on November 7, 1950. The meeting was called to order by Paul D. Williams, President of the Council, at 10:45 A.M.

The following members were present:

Morris Abram
A. D. Beittel
Mrs. James H. Birnie
Rufus E. Clement
Mrs. Irving H. Cohn
Mrs. James S. Crate
J. M. Dabbs
A. W. Dent
C. W. Fogleman
John A. Griffin
Leonard Haas
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Gordon B. Hancock
D. Swan Haworth
Guy B. Johnson
John Long
Charles Mantinband
Benjamin E. Mays
E. A. McDowell
T. James McNamara
Alonzo F. Moron
N. C. Newbold
Vincent J. O'Connell
C. H. Parrish
Harry V. Richardson
Philip E. Shulhafer
Harold L. Trigg
Forrester B. Washington
R. D. Wellons
John H. Wheeler
W. W. Wilke
Paul D. Williams
Marion A. Wright
Bishop R. R. Wright, Jr.

Staff members present were: Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Norma Huff, Mrs. Bertha Johnson, George S. Mitchell, Elizabeth Rogers, and Mrs. M. E. Tilly.

The invocation was given by Mr. McDowell.

The Report of the Executive Committee to the Board was read by Marion Wright in the absence of Charles S. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee. There being no discussion, upon motion of Mr. Wright, duly seconded,

1. IT WAS VOTED that the Report be accepted. (See attached.)

Mr. Williams outlined the plan for this year's meetings. The planning committee had felt that in previous years the meetings have been

too formalized and have failed to tap the resources of the people who attended. The plan devised by the committee is for this meeting to divide into subcommittees, then come together as a group after lunch to hear reports of the morning discussions. Then the general discussion can modify and sharpen the viewpoints expressed in the subcommittees.

The membership meeting on the 8th will follow the same plan. The group will split up into two committees to hear reports from today's meeting, followed by discussion. The entire membership meeting will then come together in the afternoon for discussion.

The following subcommittees were set up by the planning committee:

Subcommittee No. 1: On approaches to interracial understanding through what teachers teach in the schools.

Subcommittee No. 2: On preparedness for stress -- local interracial committees.

Subcommittee No. 3: On organization, finance, and publication.

The meeting then broke up into subcommittees.

Discussion in Subcommittee No. 1

At the request of Mr. Griffin, Chairman of the Subcommittee, the Executive Director opened the discussion. He was concerned with whether the Council could improve the schooling which children in the South get in matters of race relations. He referred to the omissions and distortions in the teaching of Negro history, reminded the meeting that the Commission on Interracial Cooperation had worked at the same problem, and expressed the belief that suitable pamphlet material would be in considerable demand by teachers and students. Mr. Fleming referred to the number of requests from school people over the South for free material on race relations, the Negro, etc. Mr. Clement believed that the Council could get a grant for preparing and distributing free materials in this field. Dr. Mitchell said he would

like the Council to become known as the place for school people to write to for good modern information on race relations.

Mrs. Cohn described the work of the New Orleans Committee on Race Relations in training public, private, and parochial school teachers in human relations. She had had advice recently from the American Council on Race Relations and from other bodies, and the New Orleans group was addressing itself to the problem of bringing understanding to children and teachers who in a segregated school system have little or no contact with each other. They had got as far as realizing that the teaching of human relations would have to be integrated with the rest of the classroom work and not isolated as a special subject. On getting materials into the curriculum, they had found one problem to be that, even with the blessing of the top school officials, it remained very difficult to get helpful materials into the hands of the children themselves, though individual teachers could be reached. Another problem was that existing materials had been designed for an unsegregated school system and were not simple enough. The New Orleans group had also found a lack of graded materials.

Father O'Connell inquired whether the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History had done any work in this field. Mr. Clement asked whether The Races of Mankind would be helpful, but the point was made that the assumptions underlying that booklet are alien to many of the people the Council wishes to reach, and that other material ought to be developed which would take local assumptions into account. Mr. Griffin proposed that all available material be reviewed. Mr. Washington proposed that one of the major foundations be approached for funds which could be used in implementing the science of human relations in the school system. Mr. Moron emphasized the importance of teacher training, particularly in summer schools, and pointed out that instruction of the kind desired by the Council is going on in

Northern colleges, but not in the South. Mr. Griffin reviewed the experience of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith last summer in conducting, in four Southern colleges, one-day summer school institutes in race relations. These institutes had brought out the scarcity of usable materials. Mr. Richardson, Mr. Moron, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Trigg, and Mr. Mays discussed the possibility of getting the approval of State school officials for the kind of program under discussion.

Mr. Clement proposed that the Council seek funds in the amount of $100,000 or $200,000 for a special program in bettering human relations which would have three aspects: (1) the preparation of suitable materials; (2) conferences of top-level people and various teacher groups; (3) teacher training institutes and church conferences. Mr. Trigg countered with the hope that the kind of program proposed could take advantage of existing conferences of teachers and school officials. Mr. Newbold thought that a major program of this kind would be attractive to State Boards of Education.

Mr. Washington advocated, on the other hand, an entirely new kind of program, not in terms of school and college education, which would make a comparative study of school children who have and have not been exposed to racial indoctrination.

Mr. Mays inquired whether arrangements could not be quite simply made to have responsible committees in the several States read existing material and make suggestions.

Mr. Trigg advocated getting Negroes on State boards of education. He also pointed out that it is incorrect to assume that there are people in each State familiar with human relations problems. It was his opinion that the Council should ask for a grant to train personnel in each State who would in turn train other personnel.

Mrs. Cohn cautioned that white children should not be the ultimate object of the program. A great deal needs to be done in training the Negro child for citizenship and making him feel that he is part of the citizenship. She thought that the study of a control group such as Mr. Washington had suggested could be integrated into the over-all project as an evaluative study.

Mrs. Hamilton commented that, in a sense, the New Orleans project has been a pilot project. Whether or not a more ambitious program can be undertaken, a careful record of the progress that has been under way in New Orleans, what was involved in getting administrative support, etc., would be a contribution to the Council and to others working in this field. We will need all the experience we have had.

The Subcommittee then decided to report its proceedings to the Board of Directors in full, whereupon the Subcommittee adjourned for lunch.

(Detailed minutes were not kept for Subcommittees 2 and 3, but their proceedings are adequately reported in the summaries which those Subcommittees made to the general meeting.)

The Board as a whole reconvened at 1:45 P. M.

As the first item of business, President Williams put before the Board the statement on broader representation on policy boards, particularly school boards, prepared by the staff and previously circulated to members of the Board. Mr. Fleming summarized the comments received from the following Board members who could not be present at this meeting: R. B. Atwood, Wilson M. Brown, Felton G. Clark, O. D. Duncan, Armand May, E. W. Palmer, and Carter Wesley. After considerable discussion of various deletions and changes, on motion of Mr. Haas, duly seconded,

2. IT WAS VOTED that the statement be adopted. (See attached.)

On motion, duly seconded,

3. IT WAS VOTED that the press release which had been prepared to accompany the statement be approved. (See attached.)

Dr. Mitchell said that the statement, when printed, would be mailed to State and local school officials throughout the South.

With Mr. Griffin in the chair, the Board proceeded to the reports of the morning's discussion in the Subcommittees.

Mr. Harry Richardson, for Subcommittee No. 1 (On approaches to interracial understanding through what teachers teach in the schools): We began with an agreement that in the schools of the South, both Negro and white, the better side of Negro life and history, particularly Negro contributions to civilization, has not been presented. From requests that have come in from children and teachers, the staff knows that there is interest in this subject. But we agreed that, aside from the work of some venturesome teachers, the whole question of the Negro and his contribution to America has not been adequately taught. We discussed the matter of the Council's preparing attractive and accurate literature, for both teachers and students.

But, even though the teacher might be willing, and though we might have acceptable material, unless the teaching of Negro history from a fairer point of view is approved by county and state administrators, teachers do not feel free to teach it. This consideration brought us to the problem of educating administrators to give them a truer picture of the Negro and cause them to approve a change in teaching. We also thought that a thorough study of textbooks is needed to see what they do and do not contain.

It was agreed that such an effort would require trained personnel and a rather large sum of money. It is a task that the Council has found quite beyond its resources, and it was suggested that foundation help be sought. We agreed that such a step would be an important contribution to human relations.

Mr. Johnson, for Subcommittee No. 2 (On preparedness for stress - - local interracial committees): We discussed the number of local committees we knew to be in existence in our States. We were rather surprised to find how few were actively at work. Georgia has twenty. Texas has seven. Representatives from other States could think of few if any active committees in their States. There was some discussion of reasons for this dearth. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that perhaps these committees were most successful when they stuck to immediate and practical local problems; when they try to spell out ultimate objectives, they begin to get disagreement, fear, etc. Bishop Wright, thinking especially of ministers who work under him, discussed the importance of personal contacts and strategies in developing understanding in local communities. Mrs. Tilly described the work of the Georgia committees. Rabbi Mantinband discussed the use of college groups as a medium of contacts between people and exchange of ideas. Boiling the discussion down to a brief set of suggestions:

1. We face a time when we will need more and stronger local committees.

2. The key factor in developing local committees is strong State committees. The need is for State committees which can raise a budget so they can keep a person in the field to organize local committees and keep them going.

3. While we consider that voluntary committees are on the whole much more useful because they are freer and do not have official restrictions, we would not say that official committees have no value. Sometimes an official committee is a yes-man group, but a good official committee without any strings attached might serve a real function.

4. We would like to suggest that the Council issue some kind of statement or at least make the information available (perhaps the statement we approved today does it in some way) to do three things: (1) call attention to the need for local interracial committees, voluntary, and perhaps in some cases official; (2) point out reasons why the Council thinks the stresses and strains we are now under make it important for a community to have such committees; and (3) make it clear that the Council gives advice or can help organize them.

A discussion ensued of the relevance of official interracial committees in the South. Mr. Wheeler suggested that if one or two cities could successfully operate official interracial committees, they could become models for others.

Mr. Wright, for Subcommittee No. 3 (On organization, finance, and publication): The Council was organized at a time when it was felt that advantages would flow from having a fairly large governing body; a large Board attached to the organization people who might otherwise have been uninterested. The Subcommittee felt that the climate of opinion has changed. The problem has been gone into rather extensively at recent Executive Committee meetings, and it has been the feeling of that Committee that the governing body of the Council should be more compact and consist of those who were vitally interested, and that it should meet quarterly instead of annually.

With this meeting the legal existence of this body terminates. The Subcommittee therefore proposes:

1. That an Executive Board be established which will exercise the functions of the present Board of Directors.

2. That this Board should consist of the President and four Vice Presidents, ex officio, with voice and vote, plus fourteen members.

3. That the Executive Director and Associate Executive Director shall not be members, and shall have no voice and no vote, but shall attend meetings and give advice and information.

4. That the quorum for meetings shall be seven.

If the Board of Directors should approve this change and refer the matter to the full meeting tomorrow, we propose that the Board recommend to the general membership meeting that the Board and the Executive Committee be merged into a single Executive Board to be composed as indicated. Various amendments to the by-laws have been prepared which would effect these proposed changes.

The Subcommittee further recommends that the President appoint a nominating committee of five, which would place before the membership meeting tomorrow the names of fourteen members of the proposed Executive Board. We suggest that two of those members be chosen for one year, four for two years, four for three years, and four for four years.

The Subcommittee was highly sensitive to the fact that there have been on the Board for a number of years many persons who are interested in our work. We hope that it may be found possible to appoint an Advisory Board of which the organization could avail itself for advice and counsel. We would like to see some kind of relationship continued with the present Board.

Therefore, in addition, we recommend that the incoming Executive Board be authorized to appoint an Advisory Board of such number as in its discretion would be proper and that that Board be available from time to time.

Some discussion of the Subcommittee's recommendations followed. Mr. Griffin said that, in the judgment of the Finance Committee, the most effective way to reduce the size of the Board would be simply not to elect new members. The Finance Committee, he said, was conscious of the fact that this was an important year and it did not wish to lose the support of a single person now on the Board. Mrs. Hamilton, as an advisor to the Finance Committee, felt also that the reorganization plan should be studied at greater length. The cost of Board Meetings was discussed. Dr. Mitchell stated that, on the expectation of average attendance, meetings of the reduced Board and of the present Board would be about equal in travel costs. Msgr. McNamara urged the prompt adoption of the reorganization plan. Mr. Wilke asked whether State Divisions could not be called upon to finance their own delegates to the meetings. Mrs. Hamilton, Bishop Wright, and others set forth the difficulty of representing on a small Executive Board the various areas and interest groups within the South. Msgr. McNamara pointed to a moral responsibility

upon the Board of Directors for whatever debts the Council incurred, and added his view that the Council would be more likely to be supported by a Board of 17 than 72.

Mr. Dent asked whether consideration had been given to the possibility of retaining the Board of 72 and enlarging the Executive Committee to 14; amending the by-laws to give legal status to the Executive Committee; and amending policy to pay the expenses of the Executive Committee only. This plan would leave the Board unaltered in size and give the Council a Board of fourteen plus five officers meeting four times a year.

Upon motion of Mr. Moron, duly seconded,

4. IT WAS VOTED that the Board defer any change until the points raised in this meeting have been studied by the Executive Committee and brought back to the Board with recommendations at the next annual meeting.

After discussion of the cost involved in monthly publication of New South, on motion of Mr. Dent, duly seconded,

5. IT WAS VOTED that New South be issued six times a year.

At this point, the Report of the Secretary-Treasurer was read. Dr. Mitchell referred to the fact that the note to Mr. Byrd would fall due at the end of the year and that Mr. Byrd was anxious for a considerable payment on it.

On motion, duly seconded,

6. IT WAS VOTED that the Report of the Secretary-Treasurer be accepted as read.

Dr. Mitchell then presented the proposed budget for 1951.

In commenting on it, he said that the item for salaries was at the present level, plus raises for some staff members. The principal reduction in cost was in anticipation of curtailed publication of New South. He went on to say that he did not propose adoption of the budget, but rather that the Council continue to operate at the level of this budget until a stated time, and that

unless, by that time approximately $15,000.00 had been raised, the Executive Committee be empowered to put the Council on a liquidation basis. Fifteen thousand dollars could be raised by getting no more than 166 new ten-dollar memberships from each Southern State.

Mr. Griffin explained the work thus far done in Georgia on the 50 for '51 campaign.

At this point, Mr. Hancock introduced Mr. Arthur W. Mitchell, former Congressman from Illinois, now a resident of Dinwiddie County, Virginia. Mr. Mitchell spoke in cordial praise of the Council and reviewed his own work in getting additional members. He said he believed it would be possible for him to raise $1,000.00 for the Council within the State of Virginia by Christmas.

As a final order of business, the Council proceeded to election of staff members. Upon motion of Mr. Johnson, duly seconded,

7. IT WAS VOTED that George S. Mitchell be re-elected Executive Director of the Council, and that Mrs. Norma Huff be elected Secretary-Treasurer.

The more general topic of discussion, "The Pace of Change," having been neglected, Mr. Dabbs commented that he found the problem in South Carolina to be the lack of support because the Council goes too fast, and, on the other hand, the lack of support because it goes too slow. Dr. Mitchell commented that the South's major task is to find ways of working as a single united people.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
NOVEMBER 7, 1950

Your Committee met three times: on February 2, March 31, and June 10. We have had a number of rather important decisions to make.

At the February meeting, the Executive Committee took note of the Board's action in November, 1949, which had authorized the continuance of the reduced staff through January 31, the further course to be determined by the Executive Committee. In February we took responsibility for extending the work of the Council through March 31, but cautioned Board members that it might be necessary to summon them for an extraordinary meeting. On March 31, it appeared that the Council would have at the end of 1950 a gross indebtedness of some $18,000.00, and the Board was called to decide upon a course of action.

The Board meeting of April 22 devised a plan of State campaigns, under which $11,000.00 was pledged. Other amounts of which members felt virtually certain raised the prospective extra income to $15,500.00, and the Board thereupon authorized continuance until June, giving the Executive Committee responsibility for canvassing the situation at that time. At the June meeting, the efforts of the various States had brought in $5,000.00, and the Committee felt that additional sums which might reasonably be expected would warrant continuance through October.

The Committee was unable to convene a quorum in September or October, but President Williams requested that plans for the annual meeting be made by a local committee of Board members. Glenn Rainey, John Griffin, and Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton served most helpfully in this capacity.

From time to time during the year your Finance Committee has met. It will lay before you plans for further fund-raising activities.

The Committee at its March meeting regretfully accepted the resignation of Mrs. Agnes McKoy as Secretary-Treasurer, and appointed in her stead Mrs. Norma Huff as Acting Secretary-Treasurer.

We have given considerable attention during the year to the possibility of some reorganization of the governing bodies of the Council. Opportunity will be afforded in this meeting for discussion of proposals.

While it has been a difficult year, we have been pleased to see the earnest and sacrificing support which the Council can have for the stirring up.

Charles S. Johnson
Chairman

STATEMENT ON REPRESENTATION ON POLICY BOARDS

Discriminations long taken for granted in the South are today yielding their bitter harvest. The Southern states are discovering that equal opportunity — as defined not only in the U. S. Constitution, but also in their own laws and constitutions — is expensive and difficult of achievement. They are learning just how unequal our "separate but equal" facilities are, in health, education, housing, recreation, and scores of other public services. Under the pressure of court action, they are discovering that the time is rapidly running out when postponement and token approaches to equalization will suffice.

The problem is talked about in terms of dollars and cents; repairing the neglect of generations is a costly business. But, as the Southern Regional Council has repeatedly pointed out, the problem is a material one — and something more. The South has an old unpaid debt to its Negro citizens: to reward patience, service, and loyalty with recognition of full citizenship status. This debt will not be satisfied merely by bestowing upon the Negro population increased benefits long overdue (although that is an end far from attainment).

As Dr. Benjamin Mays declared recently in NEW SOUTH: "There is a growing conviction among Negroes that if one racial group makes all the laws and administers them, holds all the power and administers it, and has all the public money and distributes it, it is too much to expect that group to deal as fairly with the weak, minority, non-participating group as it deals with its own."

What is needed is a shift from paternalism to democracy. Negroes should have full and fair representation on policy-making and administrative bodies. These would include, of course, boards and commissions governing the whole range of public services. But the need today is of special urgency in the field of education.

In county after county over the South, Federal courts have ruled, or are being asked to rule, that equal school facilities must be provided for Negro children without delay. School boards and other public officials are anxiously examining their budgets and making belated starts at improvement. A few politicians, more interested in votes than in progress, are shouting defiance at the courts and seeking to incite the public to anger. Other spokesmen have taken on the futile task of justifying and explaining away the inequalities which are too plain to be denied. Still others, while deploring existing discriminations, deplore even more the filing of law suits demanding correction.

Such protestations are neither justified nor constructive. In view of the long record of evasion and inaction, it is hardly surprising that Negroes are turning with increasing frequency to the courts for the remedy to old injustices. That is a lawful and accepted procedure in our democracy, and should not cause dismay or indignation. On the contrary, it should cause some honest self-examination. School suits, by and large, are the fruits of bad faith. There is every reason to believe that the Negro plaintiffs, like the defendants, would prefer a less expensive and more cooperative method of

reaching agreement. The best way to achieve that is for Negroes to have a voice in the policy-making which determines the quality of education children are to receive.

Much attention is being focused just now on the attainment of two equal school systems. Who is to say what is equal? In past experience, our only arbiter on that is the courts. And the briefs prepared for the courts by contending parties inevitably stress the mathematics of equality: How many desks, of what model, at what cost, on how many square feet of floor space, for how many white pupils, as compared with how many of each of these for how many Negro pupils. And ultimately, a court must state a formula — a number.

However, true equality is not static arithmetic. It is a running matter. It requires trustworthy day-to-day administration. How can that be contrived? The only answer is representation of all parties on the important policy boards. If we are to have flexibility and order and understanding in the conduct of our school system in the South, we must build a system of school administration which all concerned can believe in.

In places where boards of education are elective rather than appointive, it is up to qualified Negro persons to seek the office. It need hardly be pointed out that no representation can be effective unless it honestly expresses the feelings of the group represented. In places where boards of education are appointive, public officials will be tempted to appoint persons whose compliance and readiness to please would make for easy agreement. But such appointments will not accomplish their purpose. True agreement — particularly in a matter as sensitive and important as educational opportunity — can be reached only if the minority view is voiced with frankness and considered with respect.

The opportunity is before us to strengthen our region and hasten its progress by admitting all our people to the ranks of our common citizenship. There could be no more appropriate time than now, and no more appropriate field than education, for that step to be taken.

PRESS RELEASE ACCOMPANYING STATEMENT

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia
(Fleming Wa. 7963)

For Immediate Release

ATLANTA, Nov. 8 - Southerners of both races, meeting here today, urged that Negroes in the South have representation on policy-making bodies which govern public services.

The statement was adopted at the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council, an interracial organization whose members include educators, church people, editors, labor and business men from thirteen Southern states.

Releasing the statement, Council President Paul D. Williams, of Richmond, Va., declared: "This is the course for the South to follow. We are facing a crisis today because of our failure to admit Negroes to partnership in our public life. By doing so now, the South can tap new resources of ability and

statesmanship and open up an era of common citizenship."

The Council particularly recommended Negro representation on school boards, elective and appointive. It termed the many school equalization suits filed in Federal courts recently "the fruits of bad faith."

"There is every reason to believe," the statement said, "that the Negro plaintiffs, like the defendants, would prefer a less expensive and more co-operative method of reaching agreement. The best way to achieve that is for Negroes to have a voice in the policy making which determines the quality of education their children are to receive."

The Council maintained that only by such representation could equality be attained in day-to-day administration of school systems. "True equality," it declared, "is not static arithmetic. It is a running matter."

(Full text of statement attached.)

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of the Board of Directors

~~December~~ November 8, 1950. 4:25 P. M.

The Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council met in the Lounge of the Phyllis Wheatley Branch of the Y.W.C.A., 599 Tatnall Street, S.W., Atlanta, Ga., on ~~December~~ November 8, 1950. The following members were present:

Mrs. James S. Crate	N. C. Newbold
A. W. Dent	Glenn W. Rainey
John A. Griffin	C. Emerson Smith
Gordon B. Hancock	Forrester Washington
D. Swan Haworth	R. D. Wellons
Guy B. Johnson	Paul D. Williams
Benjamin E. Mays	Marion A. Wright

Staff members present were: Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Norma Huff, Mrs. Bertha Johnson, George S. Mitchell, Elizabeth Rogers, and Mrs. M. E. Tilly.

The meeting came to order at 4:25 P.M.

Dr. Mitchell opened the meeting by presenting the question of vacancies on the Board of Directors. There are eight persons who this year complete their second term of office and therefore are not eligible for re-election until after a break.[1] The terms of six additional persons expire this year, but they are eligible for re-election.[2] There are four other vacancies; one of these was created by resignation, two by death, and one by election of one person in 1949 who did not accept.[3] This is a total of 18 vacancies. Because of the reorganization plan, it would seem reasonable not to

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[1] R. B. Atwood; William E. Cole; Archbishop Gerald P. O'Hara; David D. Jones; Raymond R. Paty; Philip E. Shulhafer; Goodrich C. White; Josephine Wilkins.

[2] Felton G. Clark; Emily Clay; Donald M. Comer; D. V. Jemison; Edgar W. Ray; Charles M. Smith.

[3] Mrs. Jessie D. Ames resigned. Luther P. Jackson and Louis I. Jaffe died. The nominee who did not accept was E. L. Abercrombie, elected to the Class of 1953.

fill all the vacancies, but only those created by resignation or death.

The Nominating Committee had duly prepared a long list of persons suitable for membership on the Board. Of those on the list, preference might well be given to three or four whose membership could be particularly helpful to the Council. These were:

Mrs. E. U. Robinson
Mr. Lewis Strauss
Mr. Arthur W. Mitchell
Mr. Webster Rhoads

Upon motion, duly seconded,

1. IT WAS VOTED that these persons be elected to membership on the Board, it being understood that Mr. Webster Rhoads was elected as an alternate in case one of the others refused to accept.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

2. IT WAS VOTED that the present slate of officers of the Council be re-elected, as follows:

President: Paul D. Williams
First Vice President: John H. Wheeler
Second Vice President: Guy B. Johnson
Third Vice President: Carter Wesley
Fourth Vice President: Harold L. Trigg

Mr. Griffin, for the Committee of the Board on Nominations to the Executive Committee, recommended election to the Executive Committee of the following persons:

Rufus E. Clement
Paul D. Christopher
Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton
Gordon B. Hancock
Charles S. Johnson
Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. James McNamara
Marion A. Wright

Upon motion, duly seconded,

3. IT WAS VOTED that the nominations be accepted.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

4. IT WAS VOTED that Mr. Williams be empowered to appoint a committee to study the proposal made by Forrester Washington in the annual meeting earlier.

Mr. Hancock suggested that the Durham Statement be studied, revised, and amended. Mr. Williams agreed that that Statement would be drawn upon by the committee. Mr. Washington stated that, as maker of the original motion, he would agree to that.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

June 30, 1951 - 10:00 A.M.

A G E N D A

Invocation

Minutes of Meeting of March 3, 1951

Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

Unfinished Business

- Reorganization of the Board
- Action on continuance

New Business

- Time and place and manner of annual meeting
- Staff changes

Other Business

Adjournment

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF INCOME
March - June 22, 1951

				1950
Contributions:				
Church Sources:				
Methodist:				
Division of Home Missions & Church Extension	$ 500.00			
Woman's Div. of Ch. Serv.	1,100.00			
W.S.C.S.				
Kentucky Conference	25.00			
Florida Conference	25.00			
Holston Conference	25.00	$1,675.00		
Presbyterian, U.S.:				
Bd. of Church Extension		200.00		
Christian				
Ch. Church, Sou. Christian Institute		25.00	$1,900.00	$ 640.00
Organization Sources:				
Agnes Scott Student Association		2.50		
Emory University Community Chest		218.04		
I.L.G.W.U.		500.00		
Prairie View Community Chest (Texas)		25.00		
Mentzer-Bush Publishing Company		200.00		
Cultural Club, Columbia, S.C.		10.00	955.54	1,709.90
Foundation Sources:				
Sigmund Silberman Foundation		300.00		
William C. Whitney Foundation		500.00		
Sidney Hillman Fund		2,500.00		
Christian Serv. Foundation (Lake Wales, Fla.)		100.00	3,400.00	1,100.00
Individual Contributions			1,024.72	6,705.03
Total Contributions			7,180.26	10,154.93
Other Income:				
Dues		1,979.68		2,257.00
New South Subscriptions		147.83		97.06
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature		366.87		352.46
Honoraria		75.00	2,569.38	150.00
TOTAL INCOME			$9,749.64	$13,011.45

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS
March - June 22, 1951

		1951	1950
Salaries		$ 6,293.19	$ 7,451.49
Printing, New South & Literature		1,932.78	1,547.45
Travel		832.06	1,576.60
Withholding Tax		1,306.98	823.65
Georgia Sales Tax on Literature Sales		2.05	
Office Supplies		300.36	695.33
Rent		380.00	300.00
Postage		359.71	526.72
Telephone & Telegraph		240.82	402.20
Audit		165.00	100.00
Books and Subscriptions		10.05	71.40
Bank Charges		3.36	13.65
Conference Fee		10.00	
Meeting Luncheon		11.83	
Press Clipping Service			103.50
Insurance			9.00
State Divisions:			
Alabama	$ 142.00		
Arkansas	12.50		
Florida	140.00		
Kentucky	62.50		
Louisiana	68.50		
Mississippi	54.50		
South Carolina	173.00		
North Carolina	92.00		
New Orleans Com.	45.00		
Tennessee	75.25		
		865.25	310.25
		$12,713.44	$ 14,020.24

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
June 22, 1951

Salary:			
George S. Mitchell		$ 937.50	
Office Supplies:			
Elliott Addressing Machine Co.	3.30		
Gershon Printing & Office Supply Co.	93.99		
Tidwell Company	16.50		
Office Supply Co.	7.59		
		121.38	
Printing:			
Stein Printing Co.		351.15	
Withholding Taxes - June 22, 1951 (due July 1st)		207.03	
State Divisions:			
Alabama	18.00		
Arkansas	1.50		
Florida	10.50		
Kentucky	1.50		
Mississippi	3.00		
New Orleans Committee	6.00		
North Carolina	6.00		
South Carolina	12.00		
Tennessee	14.50		
		73.00	
			$ 1,654.06
Loans Payable:			
George S. Mitchell		1,500.00	
Thomas F. Byrd		4,500.00	
			6,000.00
TOTAL			$ 7,654.06

Total Liabilities, June 1, 1950 $ 11,621.34

SRC SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Balance as of June 22, 1951

Fellowship of the Concerned	$1,274.46
New South	1,186.95
National Sharecroppers Fund	181.22
Home Town Self-Survey	792.68
	$3,435.31

COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR YEARS 1945 - 1950

	1950	1949	1948	1947	1946	1945
TOTAL INCOME	39,111.46	53,033.71	42.825.00	55,744.45	56,744.45	62,257.79
TOTAL EXPENSES	41,120.38	46,318.38	49,497.96	60,952.17	49,217.00	52,773.37
TOTAL LIABILITIES	14,278.17	6,523.79	7,652.02	6,155.89		
EXCESS OF EXPENSES OVER INCOME	2,008.92		6,672.34	5,022.34		
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENSES		6,715.33			7,527.45	948.42
DEFICIT AS OF DEC. 31	10,450.31	8,441.39	12,156.72	5,483.76		

1951

Income, January - June 22	$16,886.00
Budget for the year 1951	38,701.00
Six months (½)	19,350.00

Same letter and encls. to all members of Executive Committee.

Wright ✓
Briggs
Christopher ✓
Clement ✓
William - ✓
Wesley ✓
Wheeler ✓

McNamara ✓
Johnson ✓
Johnson CS - ✓
Hancock ✓
Hamilton ✓
Hass - ✓

August 10, 1951

Mr. Paul Christopher
216 Flatiron Bldg.
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Christopher:

At the June 30th Executive Committee meeting one of the members suggested that it might be well for the Committee members to have a monthly report of the finances of the Council. This suggestion was accepted by the committee and I am, therefore, submitting such a report for the month of July.

I am sorry that this first report is such a discouraging one. Some of the accounts payable were carried over from May and June and so far, none of them has been paid during August. August receipts up to now have been very low.

The $500.00 grant from the NCCJ is for promotion of the Home Town Self Survey - through visitation of a staff member who will work with the communities to get surveys under way. We are hoping that this program can begin sometime in mid-September.

Perhaps September and October will bring us some substantial contributions and we can meet some of these bills. We appreciate your interest and support.

If you would like any further information about finances, please let me know and I'll do my best to furnish it.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, Inc.

Financial Report for month of July, 1951

Receipts:

Contributions		
Individual	128.00	
Church (Episcopal)	500.00	
SRC Dues	162.50	
State Divisions	37.00	
New South Subscriptions	88.50	
Sale of Literature	109.44	
Honoraria	150.00	
Rent (Sublet 1 room)	15.00	
Misc. (postage, sale supplies)	27.90	
TOTAL		$1,218.34
Grant from NCCJ for special project		500.00

Disbursements:

Salaries	1,277.09	
Travel	20.00	
Office Supplies	.62	
Postage (New South & other)	58.00	
Printing (New South)	262.32	
Telephone	2.00	
Social Security	34.60	
Meeting luncheon (June 30 meet.)	18.70	
Georgia Sales Tax	.40	
Fellowship of the Concerned	54.80	
Refund Sale of Literature	6.00	
Bank charges	.20	
TOTAL		$1,734.73

Same letter and report
sent to ad member of
Executive Committee
K.S.

September 17, 1951

Mr. Paul Christopher
216 Flatiron Building
Knoxville 17, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Christopher:

Attached is the financial report for the Council for August, 1951. The last week of August brought us some large gifts - the one which came through the American Friends Service Committee and the United Steelworkers among them - which have enabled us to pay some long-standing debts and to close August with money in the bank.

So far September has been a good month. We are hopeful that the report at the end of this month can be as encouraging.

We are looking forward to having you with us for the Executive Committee meeting on October 26th.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

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KS:bj

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Financial report for August, 1951

Receipts

Contributions		
Individual		$ 187.10
Church		
Methodist	$200.00	
American Friedns Service Com.	2,000.	2,200.00
Organizations		
United Steelworkers of Amer., CIO		1,000.00
Dues		
SRC		193.00
To return to states		53.00
New South Subscriptions		21.50
Sale of Literature		175.85
[redacted]		[redacted]
Honorarium		50.00
Misc.		6.54
		$ [redacted]
		$ 3,886.99

Disbursements

Salaries	1,830.62	200.00
Travel	155.01	332.10
Office Supplies	5.00	170.00
Postage	25.00	704.00
Printing	332.10	
Telephone	54.87	
Books and Subscriptions	.50	
Internal Revenue (W. Tax)	182.89	
Sales Tax - Georgia	.70	
Rent	130.00	
Loan Payable (Citizen's Trust)	850.00	
Albert Cotton on Sharecroppers' pamphlet	170.00	
	3,736.69	

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Accounts Payable as of August 31, 1951

Salaries	1,741.67
Rent	130.00
Office supplies	173.09
Telephone	62.63
Printing	351.15
Travel	42.00
Audit	30.00
Due to State Divisions	212.50
	2,743.04

Loan payable, Thomas F. Byrd $4,500.00
Loan payable, Geo. S. Mitchell 1,500.00

Note: Since September 1, 1951 all of the above accounts have been paid except for ~~1250~~ $1,250.00 due Dr. Mitchell on salary and the two loans.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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Southern Regional Council

September 19, 1951

Miss Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Stoney:

I was pleased to receive your letter of September 17 and to learn of the improved financial condition of the Southern Regional Council.

If all of us give the matter our closest attention, I am sure that we can pull through in good condition.

With appreciation for your services, and with kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Rufus E. Clement

REC:t

January 1 - Sept. 30, 1951

RECEIPTS

CHURCH

Methodist	2,465.00	
Presbyterian of U.S.	225.00	
Episcopal	515.00	
Christian	25.00	3,480.00
Presbyterian of USA.	250.00	

FOUNDATION

Anonymously thro' A.F.S.C.	5,000.00	
Sidney Hillman	2,500.00	
Wm. C. Whitney	1,000.00	
Edgar Stern	400.00	
Sigmund Silberman	300.00	
Samuel & Augusta Rosenwald Fund	200.00	
Christian Service Foundation	100.00	
Ashby Jones Fund	50.00	9,550.00

ORGANIZATION

United Steelworkers	1,000.00	
Thro' Atlanta A. J. C.	2,130.00	
Brown Root Co.	500.00	
I. L. G. W. U.	500.00	
Mentzer Bush Co.	200.00	
Emory Com. Chest	218.04	
N. C. Teachers Asso.	50.00	
Atlanta A.V.C.	25.00	
Prairie View Com. Chest	25.00	
S. C. Fed. Women's Clubs	15.00	
Culture Club of Columbia, S. C.	10.00	
Agnes Scott Students	2.50	4,675.54

INDIVIDUAL	3,838.82
MEMBERS DUES	4,280.18
NEW SOUTH SUBSCRIPTIONS	367.33
MISCELLANEOUS LITERATURE SALES	817.33
HONORARIA	539.92
OFFICE SUPPLIES (Sale of)	182.02
TRAVEL REFUNDS	369.64
MISC.	103.05
TOTAL RECEIPTS	28,204.33

* Presby Church in U.S. - 225.00
Presby Church U.S.A. - 250.00
475.00

Fellowship of Concerned

Receipts

Independent Ch	$1000.00
Cont.	365.00
Travel refund	46.18
	1411.18

Disb

Salaries —	435.76
Travel —	439.39
Ct Rec. —	54.80
Post etc —	18.50
	948.45

Bal — $467.73

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	18,280.30
Rent	1,170.00
Printing	1,096.40
Postage	462.08
Office supplies	753.98
Telephone & telegraph	583.72
Travel	2,151.66
Notes payable	1,500.00
Books & subscriptions	147.48
Special services	75.00
Audit	185.00
Meeting expense	44.85
Insurance	42.82
Georgia sales tax	4.72
Social security	227.40
Bank charges	8.31
To State Divisions	1,269.25
Misc.	21.34
	$ 28,289.91

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS - RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR YEAR

NEW SOUTH APPROPRIATION

Receipts			
Amount in fund	2,500.00		
Interest earned	9.37		2,509.37
Disbursements			
Printing	1,745.87		
Postage	265.60		2,011.47
		Balance	$ 497.90

National Sharecroppers' Pamphlet Fund

Receipts

Amount in fund	$400.00	

Disbursements

Salary, G. S. Mitchell	50.00	
Charles Mangum for Ms	100.00	
Albert Cotton for Ms	170.00	
Albert Cotton, travel	55.48	
Albert Cotton, conf. fee	10.00	
Misc., book~~xxx~~. etc.	3.30	
	388.78	
	Balance	$11.22

Home Town Self Survey Pamphlet

Receipts		
Alfred Starr	100.00	
Ascoli	500.00	
Elizabeth Stein	400.00	
A. D. L.	500.00	
Anonymous	1000.00	
		2,500.00
Disbursements		
Salaries	1111.51	
Printing	1000.00	
Travel	49.00	2,160.51
	Balance	339.49

N.C.C.J. GRANT FOR TRAVEL IN CONNECTION WITH HOME TOWN SELF SURVEY $500.00

Fellowship of the Concerned

Receipts		
R. A. Dowling	100.00	
Contribution	10.00	
W. M. Hanner	5.00	
Collection - trip to Pa.	250.00	
Independent Aid	1,000.00	
Travel refund	46.18	
		1,401.18
Disbursements		
Salaries, Mrs. Tilly & other	388.00	
Travel	464.39	
Postage, supplies, etc.	36.26	
Court record	54.80	
		943.45
		457.73
Balance from 1950		12.23
		$ 469.96

COMPARATIVE FIGURES

January 1 - September 30, 1950 and 1951

	1950	1951
Contributions	25,369.44	21,544.36
Dues (includes part to State Divisions)	4,316.55	4,280.18
New South Subscriptions	372.94	367.83
Sale of Misc. Literature	669.57	817.33
Honoraria	486.76	539.92
Misc. postage, sale of office supplies, etc.	595.58	654.71
	31,810.84	28,204.33

Disbursements - to end of October - 1950 were $ 36,872.36

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1951

Loans Payable			
George S. Mitchell		1,500.00	
Thomas F. Byrd		4,500.00	6,000.00
*Elliott Addressing Machine Co.		6.30	
*Office Supply Co.		7.83	
*Mimeograph Co.		111.22	
* Southern Bell Tel. Co.		61.20	
* Western Union Co.		1.06	
* Georgia Sales Tax		1.28	
To State Divisions			
Alabama	20.00		
Florida	7.50		
Louisiana	6.50		
Mississippi	3.00		
New Orleans Com.	5.00		
N. C.	11.50		
S. C.	1.50		
* Tenn.	27.00		
		82.00	
			170.89
			6,170.89

* Have been paid since Oct. 1st.

55.00 due to State Divisions

6,000. due on Notes

INDIVIDUAL GIFTS

Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York	1,000.00
Mr. J. L. Coker	250.00
Mr. J. K. Heyman	200.00
Mr. Louis Aranstom	200.00
Herbert Elsas	200.00
Anonymously through Maxwell Hahn	200.00
Mr. Carter Wesley	100.00
Mr. M. H. Sterne	100.00
Mr. F. R. Jeffrey	100.00
Mr. F. Garson	100.00
Mr. Donald Oberdorfer	100.00
Mr. W. D. Simmons	100.00
Mr. E. R. Haas	100.00
Mrs. Virginia L. Rich	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Haas	100.00
Mrs. W. H. Hogue	100.00
Mr. Donald Comer	100.00
Dr. Gordon Hancock	75.00
Mrs. C. M. Hayes	70.00

Special Com

Dr Mason - 50.00
Mr Lewis 50.00
Mr Dobbs - 300.00
Dr Ellison - 25.00
+ other 55.00

Mr. Harper 100.00
Dr Mayes 50.00

Complete

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Financial report for September, 1951

RECEIPTS

Contributions			
Individual			
Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York	1,000.		
Other	821.		
		$ 1,821.00	
Church			
Methodist	340.00		
Protestant Episcopal	15.00		
		$ 355.00	
Foundation			
Samuel and Augusta Rosenwald Fund	200.00		
Anonymously, through American Friends Service Committee	3,000.00		
		$ 3,200.00	
			$5,376.00
Members Dues (includes amount to be returned to states)			342.00
New South Subscriptions			18.00
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature			27.25
Honorarium			50.00
Travel refund			20.00
Miscellaneous (postage & supplies)			2.86
TOTAL RECEIPTS			$ 5,836.11

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries *		3,692.05	
Rent		260.00	
Travel		196.04	
Office Supplies		181.21	
Postage		68.37	
Printing		351.15	
Telephone		129.44	
Books & Subscriptions		46.40	
Audit		30.00	
Withholding and FICA Taxes		245.60	
Georgia Sales Tax		.57	
Bank charges		2.65	
To State Divisions **			
Alabama	45.00		
Arkansas	2.50		
Florida	29.00		
Louisiana	3.00		
Mississippi	10.50		
N. O. Committee	27.00		
N. C.	18.50		
S. C.	66.50		
		202.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			$ 5.405.48

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1951

Elliott Addressing Machine Co.		6.30
Office Supply Company		4.48
Mimeograph Company		11.22
Telephone Company		18.09
Due to State Divisions		
Alabama	20.00	
Arkansas	1.00	
Florida	7.50	
Louisiana	6.50	
Mississippi	3.00	
N. O. Committee	5.00	
N. C.	10.50	
S. C.	1.50	
Tenn.	1.50	56.50
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE		$ 96.59

Balance in General Fund as of October 1, 1951 $1,840.27

* Includes back salary paid to Dr. Mitchell

** Covers payments due for June, July and August

The notes for $1,500.00 to Dr. Mitchell and $4,500.00 to Mr. Byrd are still outstanding.

Katherine Stoney
acting Sec-Treas.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

January 1, 1951 to September 30, 1951

INCOME:

CHURCH SOURCES		
Methodist; Boards and WSCS	$ 2,465.00	
Presbyterian Church in the U. S.	225.00	
Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A.	250.00	
Episcopal Church	515.00	
Christian Church	25.00	
		3,480.00
FOUNDATIONS		
Anonymously, through American Friends Service Committee	5,000.00	
Sidney Hillman Fund	2,500.00	
Wm. G. Whitney Foundation	1,000.00	
Edgar Stern Fund	400.00	
Sigmund Silberman Foundation	300.00	
Samuel & Augusta Rosenwald Fund	200.00	
Christian Service Foundation	100.00	
Ashby Jones Fund	50.00	
		9,550.00
ORGANIZATIONS		
United Steelworkers-CIO	1,000.00	
Through Atlanta A.J.C.	2,130.00	
Brown Root Co.	500.00	
International Lady Garment Workers Union	500.00	
Mentzer Bush Co.	200.00	
Emory Univ. Community Chest	218.04	
N. C. Teachers Assoc.	50.00	
Atlanta A.V.C.	25.00	
Prairie View Community Chest	25.00	
S. C. Federation of Women's Clubs	15.00	
Culture Club of Columbia, S.C.	10.00	
Agnes Scott Students	2.50	
		4,675.54
INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS		3,838.82
MEMBERS DUES		4,280.18
NEW SOUTH SUBSCRIPTIONS		367.83
MISCELLANEOUS LITERATURE SALES		817.33
HONORARIA		539.92
SALE OF OFFICE SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT		182.02
TRAVEL REFUNDS		369.64
MISCELLANEOUS		103.05
TOTAL INCOME		$ 28,204.33

SRC INCOME & EXPENSE Jan. 1-Sept. 30, 1951

EXPENSE:

SALARIES	$ 18,280.30
SOCIAL SECURITY (cost to Council)	227.40
RENT	1,170.00
PRINTING	1,096.40
POSTAGE	462.08
OFFICE SUPPLIES	753.98
TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH	583.72
TRAVEL	2,151.66
LOANS PAYABLE	1,500.00
BOOKS & SUBSCRIPTIONS	147.48
SPECIAL SERVICES	75.00
AUDIT	185.00
MEETING EXPENSE	44.85
INSURANCE	42.82
GEORGIA SALES TAX	4.72
BANK CHARGES	8.31
MISCELLANEOUS	21.34
PAID TO STATE DIVISIONS	1,269.25
TOTAL EXPENSE	28,289.91

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1951

LOANS PAYABLE

George S. Mitchell	1,500.00	
Thomas F. Byrd	4,500.00	
		6,000.00

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Elliott Addressing Machine Co.		6.30	
Office Supply Co.		7.83	
Mimeograph Co.		11.22	
Southern Bell Tel. Co.		61.20	
Western Union Co.		1.06	
Georgia Sales Tax		1.28	
To State Divisions:			
Alabama	20.00		
Florida	7.50		
Louisiana	6.50		
Mississippi	3.00		
New Orleans Com.	5.00		
N. C.	11.50		
S. C.	1.50		
Tennessee	27.00	82.00	
			170.89
TOTAL			6,170.89

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL SPECIAL FUNDS

January 1 - September 30, 1951

APPROPRIATION FOR NEW SOUTH

Received for fund	2,500.00	
Interest earned	9.37	
		2,509.37
Disbursements		
Printing	1,745.87	
Postage	265.60	
		2,011.47
	Balance in fund	$497.90

NATIONAL SHARECROPPERS' - Fund for Pamphlet

Received for fund		$ 400.00
Disbursements		
Salary, G. S. Mitchell	50.00	
C. Mangum for MS	100.00	
A. Cotton for MS	170.00	
A. Cotton, travel	55.48	
A. Cotton, conf. fee	10.00	
Misc.	3.30	
		388.78
Balance in fund		$ 11.22

HOME TOWN SELF SURVEY PAMPHLET

Receipts		
Alfred Starr	100.00	
Ascoli	500.00	
Elizabeth Stein	400.00	
A. D. L.	500.00	
Anonymous	1,000.00	
		2,500.00
Disbursements		
Salaries	1,111.51	
Printing	1,000.00	
Travel	49.00	
		2,160.51
	Balance in fund	$ 339.49

Grant from the National Conference of Christians and Jews to be used for travel to promote Self Survey

Received from NCCJ $500.00

No disbursements made as yet.

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

Receipts		
R. A. Dowling	100.00	
Contribution	10.00	
W. M. Hanner	5.00	
Collection, Mrs, Tilly's trip to Pa.	250.00	
Independent Aid	1000.00	
Travel refund	46.18	
		1,401.18
Disbursements		
Salaries, Mrs. Tilly and other	388.00	
Travel	464.39	
Postage, supplies, etc.	36.26	
Court record	54.80	
		943.45
		457.73
Balance from 1950		12.23
		$ 469.96

COMPARATIVE FIGURES - RECEIPTS

	1950	1951
Contributions	25,369.44	21,544.36
Dues (includes part to State Divisions)	4,316.55	4,280.18
New South Subscriptions	372.94	367.83
Sale of Misc. Literature	669.57	817.33
Honoraria	486.76	539.92
Misc. (postage, sale of supplies, etc.)	595.58	654.71
	$ 31,810.84	$ 28,204.33

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Financial report for October, 1951

Receipts:

Contributions from Individuals			$ 529.00
Contributions from Organizations			
Georgia Teachers Assoc.		$ 100.00	
Talladega College		24.25	
University Homes, Atlanta		25.00	
United Auto Workers-CIO		1,000.00	
			1,149.25
Members Dues			
To Council	$270.00		
To State Div.	77.00		
			347.00
New South Subscriptions			37.50
Sale of Misc. Literature			91.25
Postage refund			3.43
Office supplies sold			9.80
Travel refund			22.65
Telephone			16.43
Total receipts			$ 2,206.31

Disbursements

Salaries	1,691.68
Rent	130.00
Travel	185.92
Telephone & Telegraph	62.26
Office supplies	26.80
Postage	45.86
Social Security (cost to Council)	26.80
Books & subscriptions	1.15
Corporation fee	1.00
Georgia Sales Tax	1.28
Audit	27.50
Meeting luncheon	7.00
Bank charge	1.04
Payment on loan - Mr Byrd	550.00
Interest on loan - Mr. Byrd	220.42
Interest on loan - Mitchell	75.00
To State Divisions	27.00
Misc. expense	11.27
Total Disbursements	3,091.98

SRC Special Accounts

Receipts		Disbursements		
From Phelps Stokes Fund (for printing & distribution of literature)	$359.00	Home Town Self Survey (for salaries)		$ 233.34
For Safety, Security and the South	271.40*	New South		
		Printing -	329.91	
		Postage	70.00	399.91
		Fellowship of Concerned (Travel & postage)		12.00

*(This amount paid to printer)

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

January 1, 1951 to November 30, 1951

INCOME

Receipts for General Fund

Individual Contributions	$ 6,634.82	+ 506.00	7140.82
Church Contributions	8,605.00	+ 375.00	8980.00
Organization Contributions	3,654.79	+ 305.00	3959.79
Foundation Contributions	5,000.00		5000.00
Members Dues	3,721.43	+ 362.00	4083.43
Share of Dues to State Divisions	1,236.75	+ 126.00	1362.75
New South Subscriptions	426.83	+ 28.50	455.33
Sale of Misc. Literature	940.18	+ 118.00	1058.18
Honoraria	589.92	+ 29.63	619.55
Miscellaneous receipts (postage, travel refunds, etc.)	820.86	+ 245.87	1066.73
			33726.58

TOTAL [redacted]

Receipts for Special Projects

For Fellowship of the Concerned	1,411.18	
For Publications	350.00	
For Home Town Self Survey Project	2,500.00	
For Travel in connection with Home Town Self Survey	500.00	
For Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law	1,000.00	
		5,761.18

Total receipts during period $ ~~39,201.76~~ 39,487.76

Note: For detailed reports of Special Projects see pages 3 & 4

EXPENSE

Salaries	$ 20,887.01	+ 1545.85	22437.86
Social Security (cost to Council)	234.76	+ 18.55	253.31
Rent	1,430.00	+ 130.00	1560.00
Printing (New South & Misc. Lit.)	4,303.67	+	4303.67
Travel	2,631.12	+ 279.00	2910.12
Office Supplies	850.66	+	850.66
Postage	878.54	+ 35.00	913.54
Telephone & Telegraph	717.71		717.71
Books & Subscriptions	156.58	+ 1.00	157.58
Audit	272.50		
Interest Expense	302.51		
Meeting Expense	51.85		
Insurance	42.82		
Special Services (Ford Exhibit)	75.00	+ 15.00	90.00
Bank Charges	8.96	.70	9.66
Georgia Sales Tax	7.96	1.26	9.22
Miscellaneous Expense	11.12		11.12
Total		$ ~~32,862.77~~	34,889.13
Paid on Notes Outstanding		2,050.00	
1950 Salaries paid in 1951		1,070.83	
Share of Dues returned to State Divisions		1,421.75	
Total Expense during period		$ ~~37,405.35~~	39,431.71

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 1951

Notes Payable		
Thomas F. Byrd	$ 3,950.00	
George S. Mitchell	1,500.00	
		$ 5,450.00
Accounts Payable		
Mrs. M. E. Tilly, salary	$ 100.00	
Southern Bell Tel. Co.	17.70	
Pitney Bowes Mailing Machine Co.	22.37	
Atlanta Envelope Co.	68.14	
		208.21
Due to State Divisions		
Alabama	5.00	
Florida	3.00	
Kentucky	8.50	
Louisiana	1.50	
Mississippi	10.00	
New Orleans Committee	11.00	
North Carolina	3.50	
South Carolina	3.00	
		45.50
	Total	$ 5,703.71

REPORT ON SPECIAL PROJECTS

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

Receipts		
Individual contributions	365.00	
Foundation contributions	1,000.00	
Travel refund	46.18	
		1,411.18
Disbursements		
Salary	388.00	
Travel	504.39	
Postage & office supplies	42.01	
Court record	54.80	
Bank charge	.25	
		989.45

Balance now in fund - $423.96

2.50
25.
25.
49.25
65.
15
181.75

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

December 12, 1951

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council was held in the Conference Room of the Administration Building, Atlanta University, at 10:10 a. m., Wednesday, December 12, 1951. Mr. Paul D. Williams, president, presided. Dr. Gordon Hancock gave the invocation.

The following members were present:

Mr. Paul D. Williams
Mr. Leonard Haas
Rev. John Long
Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Mr. Marion A. Wright
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Mr. J. M. Dabbs
Mr. Paul R. Christopher
Mr. A. T. Butler
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
Dr. Harold L. Trigg
Mr. John Griffin
Dr. Forrester B. Washington
Mr. C. H. Parrish
Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Mr. Arthur W. Mitchell
Rev. L. J. Twomey
Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Mr. R. D. Wellons
Mrs. E. U. Robinson
Rev. D. Swan Haworth
Dr. A. W. Dent
Dr. Benjamin E. Mays

The following staff members were present:

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Miss Katherine Stoney
Miss Anna Holden
Miss Emily Calhoun

On motion, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

At the request of Mr. Williams, Mr. Wright read the attached report of the Executive Committee to the Board of Directors. On motion, it was voted to approve the report of the Executive Committee.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

The acting secretary-treasurer, Miss Katherine Stoney, gave the attached report. She pointed out the substantial reduction of indebtedness during the past year.

Current membership was given at 1,836, including 1,541 single and 295 joint members. New members during 1951 totaled 225. On the ten-dollar membership campaign, a total of 219 individuals had sent in contributions of that amount or more during the year. Members are now being dropped if dues are unpaid for a total of two years, though every effort is made to get them to renew their membership.

NEW SOUTH

The Executive Director reviewed the principal topics covered in New South during the year as an index to the Council's interests and activities. Much attention had been given to enlarging democratic practices in government in the South; to safety of the person; to police matters; to the breakdown of segregation in the colleges; to housing; to agricultural problems; and to the work of the Fellowship of the Concerned.

STATE DIVISIONS AND AFFILIATED INTERRACIAL COMMITTEES

Some review was made of the status of the State Divisions, which have shown most activity in Mississippi, South Carolina, Alabama, and Florida. Dr. Mitchell also reported on conferences with representatives of the Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation, who plan to raise money for paid staff and push their program, in continued association with the Southern Regional Council.

The Tennessee Division, it was reported, has ceased to function, but has not been formally dissolved. The Southern Regional Council retains at the Atlanta office a sum of $218, held in trust for the Tennessee Division. By authorization of the chairman of the Division, one-half of the dues from Tennessee members is no longer deducted for the Tennessee Division.

MANUAL ON POLICE PRACTICES

On future program, whether or not substantial new support is found, the Executive Director recommended that we get out a police manual and bring to bear our friendly connections over the South to improve, through its use, police practices.

COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES IN COURTS OF LAW

The executive director proposed that we impanel a Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law, with a view to getting a widespread movement in the South to drop the old discriminatory practices.

Father Twomey, Mr. Dent, Mr. Clement, Mr. Williams, and others made helpful suggestions as to a Commission on Equal Penalties, and on motion, it was voted that the executive director proceed to raise such funds as might be obtainable to conduct in the South a Commission on Equal Penalties in the Courts, upon such terms as the Commission may determine.

Upon further motion, it was voted that the Executive Committee be empowered to make the appointment of personnel for the Commission, the Executive Committee being free to establish the number of members of the Commission.

FINANCIAL POSSIBILITIES

Dr. Mitchell discussed with the Board the prospects for substantial foundation aid. He pointed out that without such aid it would be exceedingly difficult to carry forward the Council's work in the coming year. "We have now completed," he said, "two full years without any substantial backlog of foundation support; and the problem of raising the funds needed to keep the organization, even at its present level, becomes increasingly difficult. For the coming year

we can foresee as expectable income no more than $17,500, and the organization cannot keep going usefully on less than about $40,000 for the next year."

Mr. Williams, Father Twomey, Mr. Davidson, Dr. Washington, Dr. Mays, Mr. Haas, Mr. Wellons, Dr. Johnson, and others discussed ways of raising money. Several speakers emphasized the value of obtaining additional contributions from labor sources. The executive director stated that he had estimated probable receipts from labor next year at $2,000, but was hopeful that more than that could be obtained.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

Mr. Fleming reported on news coverage during the year of the Council's activities. In addition to routine coverage of various Council events, he reported that we had had widespread wire service coverage of some twelve major stories during the year. The greatest attention had been given to the "Letter to Three Southern Governors," published in New South in July. Mr. Fleming gave it as his view that the Council's publicity can be credited in considerable part to the friendship and interest of newspaper people in our work.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON POLICY AND PROGRAM

Mr. Williams called on Mr. Wright to read the report of the Special Committee on Policy and Program, appointed at the direction of the 1950 annual meeting.

The statement submitted by the Special Committee was discussed at some length and approved by the Board in the attached form.

POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

The executive director laid before the Board the alternatives as to amendments to the by-laws to accomplish any desired change in the governing bodies of the Council. He described these as:

1. Reducing the Board to a single, small Executive Board to serve in place of both the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee.

2. Bringing the Board up to full strength under the present by-laws, and by amendment to the by-laws constitute the Board as a self-perpetuating body, it to be the Southern Regional Council. In that event, the present members of the Council, other than Board members, would become members of their appropriate State organizations, which would be affiliated with the Council but would lose policy control over the Board of Directors of SRC.

3. As an intermediate stage it might be possible to constitute a small Executive Board with a seventy-man Advisory Committee. In the event of future reorganization like that given under (2), above, the Advisory Committee might become the Board of Directors, which in turn might select some such body as the Executive Board for its interim business.

4. Proceed for the time being without major changes, and either bring the Board of Directors under the present by-laws up to its full strength of 72 elected members, or merely fill ten or a dozen of the existing vacancies.

After discussion of the various proposals, Dr. Mitchell read a draft of a resolution which might be presented to the membership meeting. On motion, it was voted to recommend the resolution in a somewhat altered form, as follows:

In the event that the Southern Regional Council receives substantial additional financial support, the resultant strengthening of the State organizations and the heightened emphasis on State action programs will make advisable substantial changes in the structure of the Council.

The membership of the Council, assembled in this meeting of December 12, authorizes the Executive Committee to draft by-laws to accomplish the following changes, such by-laws to take effect when and if approved by a majority vote of the current membership of the Council, polled by mail:

1. Individual membership in the regional organization to be confined to the Board of Directors, and that body to be given power to fill its vacancies, up to a limit of about 50 elected members, by its own selection.

2. Existing State Divisions of the Council to continue (either under that name or under some other approved by them and by or on behalf of the Board of Directors of SRC) as bodies governed by voting memberships within their respective States and affiliated with the Council.

3. In States where no State Divisions exist, agreements to be approved by or on behalf of the Board of Directors with existing or newly established organizations.

4. All State organizations affiliated with the Council to operate under by-laws approved by them and by or on behalf of the Board, and within general policies laid down by the Board. Each approved State organization to have its two principal officers sit ex officio on the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council, with voice and vote.

5. The regional organization to have authority to assist State Divisions and other affiliated State organizations in the employment of paid personnel and in the development of program.

6. The regional organization to carry forward a program of public information, research interpretation, and coordination of the activities of the State organizations.

ELECTION OF STAFF

The executive director and secretary-treasurer having withdrawn, the Board proceeded to confirm them for the coming year. Upon the recommendation of Dr. Mitchell, the Board also voted to increase the salaries of the secretary-treasurer, director of information, research assistant, and membership secretary, effective January 1, 1952. On motion, the president was authorized to appoint a committee of three from the Executive Committee, empowered to increase the salary of the executive director should the finances of the corporation make that possible.

RESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT

Mr. Williams announced his retirement as president of the Council, stating that he had put in six full years, and that he thought the job of president should rotate. He added that he would continue to support the organization

in every way possible, but that he desired that the presidency move on now to other hands.

Mr. Clement moved a standing vote of thanks to Mr. Williams, which was unanimously adopted.

Several members expressed concern as to the leadership of the Council during the coming year, and it was agreed that the nominating committee would meet at 9:30 the following morning to prepare nominations.

RESIGNATION OF MR. WHEELER AS VICE-PRESIDENT

Dr. Mitchell read a letter of resignation as vice-president of the Council from Mr. John Wheeler, and the Board voted to accept Mr. Wheeler's resignation, with regret.

SUGGESTED PROJECT FOR STATE DIVISIONS

Father Twomey urged that each State Division make it a principal item of business to assist Negroes in obtaining their constitutional rights at the polls.

PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF POLICY STATEMENT

Upon motion, it was voted that the "Statement of Policy and Aims" be printed in New South and be given the widest possible publicity.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Membership Meeting

December 13, 1951

The annual membership meeting of the Southern Regional Council was held in the Exhibition Room of the Atlanta University Library, Atlanta, Georgia, at 10:00 a. m., Thursday, December 13, 1951. President Paul Williams presided. Rabbi Mantinband gave the invocation. Dr. Clement extended welcome to the group on behalf of Atlanta University.

The following members were present:

Leonard Haas
Charles C. Walker
Artemisia Bowden
Alice Mitchell
Ellen B. Armstrong
John Long
Herbert M. Davidson
Mrs. Herbert M. Davidson
Lucy R. Mason
M. A. Wright
Charles Mantinband
F. D. Patterson
A. D. Beittel
John H. Morrow
Philip S. Ogilvie
C. Emerson Smith
J. M. Dabbs
Ray Warwick
Anna Warwick
Annie Tait Jenkins
Paul R. Christopher
C. H. Parrish
Lewis W. Jones
Anna Greene Smith
Rufus E. Clement
Guy B. Johnson
A. W. Mitchell
Mrs. A. W. Mitchell
Arthur J. Levin
L. J. Twomey, S. J.
Mrs. J. C. Harris
Benjamin E. Mays
James W. May
Rhoda Kaufman
Mrs. Herman Heyman
Gordon B. Hancock
Emory F. Via
Dorothy L. Crim
Grace T. Hamilton
Norma Huff
Jane Fleming
Paul D. Williams
A. T. Butler
Alice N. Spearman
Harold L. Trigg
Forrester B. Washington
R. D. Wellons
Mrs. R. D. Wellons
Mrs. E. U. Robinson
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
A. W. Dent
George S. Mitchell
Harold C. Fleming
Katherine Stoney
Anna Holden
Emily Calhoun
Adella Shields

On motion, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

The secretary-treasurer, Katherine Stoney, gave the attached report.

She pointed out that the Council had ended the year 1951 in better financial condition than the previous year.

On membership, a total of 1,836 paid-up, full members was reported, in addition to which the Council had 202 associate members and several hundred NEW SOUTH subscribers. Membership figures were down, as many who had not paid dues since 1949 had been dropped during 1951.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Year's Projects

The executive director, George Mitchell, described first the main topics discussed in NEW SOUTH during the year.

1. Enlarging democratic processes in government in the South. This included enlarging the electorate and getting more Negroes elected and appointed to public offices.

2. Safety of the person. Dr. Mitchell pointed out the decline of lynching and its transposition into police violence against arrested persons.

3. Negro police. Their number is increasing, and there is a good deal of evidence that they are systematically arresting white lawbreakers.

4. Fellowship of the Concerned. Mrs. Tilly had undertaken this year, instead of convening a Southwide meeting in Atlanta, to travel from State to State and reach as many of our local leaders as possible.

5. Getting people to understand the legal aspects of segregation, by various articles printed in NEW SOUTH.

6. Housing, from the 1950 census. In the last ten years the poorer parts of the white South have been rehoused, but the Negroes haven't. If the Korean War had not come along, we would be well along toward solving this problem.

7. What is actually happening on the land in the South? We don't know much about this, but an article printed in NEW SOUTH throws some light on the subject.

Self-Surveys

On the home town self-surveys, the manual issued in April had been very well received, but the staff continued to regret the slow pace at which cities and towns were taking up the idea of the survey. But when a town does do it, it is transformed. The completed survey at Dallas and the survey now under way at Shreveport were described.

State Divisions

On the work of the State Divisions and affiliated interracial organizations, it was pointed out that of the old State Interracial Committees, all

but three (Georgia, Virginia, and Texas) had now become State Divisions of the Council. Virginia and Georgia are the only ones of the State Divisions or State interracial organizations having paid executive personnel. It was suggested that the next broad advance in the interracial movement in the South is to provide paid personnel for each of the State organizations.

Projects for Next Year

As proposals for projects for the coming year, the following were described:

1. A pamphlet on farm land tenure reform. For some time this has been in preparation, under a grant as yet only partially paid by the National Sharecroppers Fund.

2. A manual on how police ought to behave in the South. Addressed to citizens, it urges them to concern themselves with police administration in their communities, to appraise it and improve it. The pamphlet should be out early next year. We will want members of the Council and of the Fellowship of the Concerned to take the pamphlet, in local committees, to the chiefs of police in their communities and try to get some action.

3. Need in the South for accurate figures on schools--differential in Negro and white schools. If the money were available, we could do this.

4. Commission on Equal Penalties. Last summer we received a memorandum giving reactions in the European press to the Willie McGee execution. Friends in New York had written asking Dr. Mitchell what SRC was going to do about such things. This was the beginning of the idea of a Commission on Equal Penalties.

   There are two related problems: (1) the penalty in rape cases--flaring and dramatic, very unequal by race; (2) the accepted, age-old practice in the South of awarding differential penalties by race for lesser crimes. This perpetuates a stereotype of the Negro buffoon.

   Dr. Mitchell expressed the opinion that the South could, in four or five years' time, be persuaded to start awarding equal justice in the courts. We would start it by convening twelve or eighteen very distinguished persons and giving them money to do a research job, showing in one category unequal penalties by race for rape in the last fifty years, and in the other category unequal penalties by race for lesser offenses. Investigations would be made in several cities, smaller towns, and States over the South. It is hoped that some of the Southern law schools would be willing to make such studies and publish the findings in law reviews. The Commission, after studying the findings, would issue a report to the Southern people, including recommendations for imposing equal penalties. Council members and Fellowship of the Concerned members would show the report to their local judges, chiefs of police, and sheriffs.

It would take between $7,000 and $10,000 to set up such a Commission. We have $2,000 promised, on the condition that it be matched in the South. Dr. Mitchell expressed the hope that some Negro person in the South would contribute a thousand dollars. He added that it was hoped to get the project started in January, and that he would make a trip early in the year to talk with various people over the South about whom should be on the Commission. He emphasized that the Commission would be independent. After setting it up, the Council would leave it alone.

5. Strengthening State Divisions. In order to set up strong State Divisions, we need a large sum of money, extending over a minimum of five years. To do this, we need $1,400,000. Under those circumstances, the Atlanta office would cease to be a single-membership organization. People would be members of State Divisions only. The central office in Atlanta would tie together the activities of the various State organizations. They could recruit more members from within their own States than the central office could.

SRC's Future in the Absence of a Large Grant

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that we had in sight for next year a little less than $20,000, and would need $40,000 to run the Council, even on its present inadequate basis. Every month we will be $2,000 short. It is now time to say that either the Council has got to be put in a position really to do its job, or we ought to contemplate doing without it.

REPORT ON FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

At this point, President Williams called on Mrs. Tilly to describe at greater length the Fellowship of the Concerned, particularly in connection with the courts.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

The director of information, Harold Fleming, reported on the publicity received by the Council during the year.

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF MEMBERS

Dr. Mitchell introduced the following new staff members: Anna Holden, research assistant; Adella Shields, membership secretary; Katherine Stoney, secretary-treasurer; Emily Calhoun, secretary to the executive director.

STATEMENT ON POLICY AND PROGRAM

Mr. Williams pointed out that at the last annual membership meeting it was voted that a committee should be set up to draft a statement on policy and

program. Mr. Williams called on Dr. Dent to report from that committee. Dr. Dent, on behalf of the committee, read the attached statement. Mr. Williams then called upon Dr. Hancock for comment, and after further discussion, the statement was, on motion, adopted.

Father Twomey undertook to contribute toward the cost of publishing the statement in a separate brochure.

DISCUSSION ON WHETHER PRESS SHOULD BE PRESENT

Mrs. Davidson, as a newspaper woman, regretted the absence of the press at so important a meeting. Mr. Fleming pointed out that arrangements made for press notice of the statement were likely to get it very wide distribution, but Mrs. Davidson still wished that the general press had been present.

MR. WILLIAMS' RESIGNATION AS PRESIDENT

Mr. Williams then announced that he had asked the nominating committee not to consider him for president for the following year. He stated that he would be with the organization in spirit and would do anything he could to further its aims, but that he had accepted the presidency somewhat in the spirit of an emergency and had remained in office for six years, and now thought it time for other hands to take over the leadership of the Council.

Rabbi Mannbinband praised Mr. Williams for his fine leadership, and requested that Mr. Williams' address be separately printed by the Council.

Dr. Dent moved that the members present record their deep and sincere appreciation of the fine work Mr. Williams had done for the last six years, and this was voted.

DR. PARRISH'S REPORT

After the luncheon interval, Dr. Parrish, of the University of Louisville, reported on the integration of Louisville Municipal College with the University of Louisville, giving especial attention to the effect the merger had had on the Negro professors. He also pointed out how non-discriminatory practices had had an effect upon the community, opening more public facilities and more jobs to Negroes.

CHANGES IN THE STRUCTURE OF THE COUNCIL

The following resolution was then distributed by the executive director, who called for a discussion of possible changes in the structure of the Council:

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substantial changes in the structure of the Council.

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After considerable discussion, Dr. Dent gave it as his view that if large funds came to the Council, it would be highly desirable for the Council to have a slightly different structure, and moved the adoption of the resolution. The motion was amended so that the wording at the end of the second paragraph would be changed to read; "when and if submitted by mail to the current membership of the Council, and a majority of the members voting express approval." The motion and the amendment were carried.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Wright, on behalf of the Resolutions Committee, offered a resolution expressing gratitude for the kindness and hospitality of Atlanta University in providing facilities for the meeting.

NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

Miss Stoney presented a proposed budget for 1952.

After a discussion by Miss Mason and others, revealing again the shortfall of $20,000 to $24,000 for the coming year, the meeting authorized the Executive Committee to continue the Council on a month-to-month basis, within the discretion of the Executive Committee.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Arthur Levin, on behalf of the Committee to Nominate Members of the Board of Directors, pointed out that the Board was authorized to have as many as 72 members, that it had 53 at present, and that there were a number of members whose terms of office on the Board were up.

Mr. Levin read the names of members whose terms had expired and who were eligible for reelection, as follows: Mr. J. M. Dabbs, Mr. Paul Christopher, Mrs. W. H. Ratliff; and of those members whose terms of office had expired and who were not eligible for reelection, as follows: Mr. C. H. Gillman, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Rev. T. J. McNamara, Bishop Arthur J. Moore, Dr. A. W. Dent, Mr. John H. Wheeler, Mr. Wilson M. Brown, Dr. Gordon B. Hancock.

Mr. Levin added that the whole Committee had been polled by mail and they had all suggested names for the Board. He then read the list of names recommended by the Committee, as follows:

Harry Ashmore, Paul Christopher, Guy Johnson, Alexander Kline, Maceo Smith, Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor, Mrs. E. J. Rauschkolb, Harold Trigg, Ed Weyler, Paul Williams, L. E. Thomas, Ben J. Massell, Josephine Wilkins, John Page Williams

Dr. Mitchell suggested that the job of allocating terms of years to these people be given to the Executive Committee. With this understanding, the nominations were accepted, and the secretary was authorized to cast a ballot electing them to membership on the Board.*

After a call had been issued for a meeting of the Board of Directors immediately after the membership meeting, the annual membership meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

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* The following allocation of terms was made: Class of 1955--Mr. Ashmore, Mr. Christopher, Dr. Johnson, Rabbi Kline, Mrs. Rayzor, Mrs. Rauschkolb, Mr. Smith, Dr. Trigg, Mr. Weyler, Mr. Paul Williams. Class of 1954--Mr. Thomas, Mr. Massell, Miss Wilkins, Mr. John Page Williams.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance report for December, 1951

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$ 506.00
Contributions from Churches	375.00
Contributions from Organizations	305.00
Members Dues	488.00
New South Subscriptions	28.50
Sale of Misc. Literature	118.00
Travel refunds	27.64
Sale of office equipment	35.00
Honoraria	29.63
Received from S. C. for reprints	35.00
Miscellaneous	13.18
TOTAL RECEIPTS	1,960.95

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 1,545.85
Social Security (cost to Council)	13.49
Travel	143.95
Postage	35.00
Rent	130.00
Books and subscriptions	1.00
Special services*	15.00
Georgia Sales Tax	1.26
Bank charge	.70
Returned check	3.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	1,889.25

*Extra clerical work in connection with "Race and Law Enforcement"

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

January 1 - December 31, 1951

INCOME

Receipts for General Fund

Contributions from Individuals	$ 7,140.82	
Contributions from Church Sources	8,980.00	
Contributions from Organizations	3,959.79	
Contributions from Foundations	5,000.00	
Members Dues	5,446.18	
New South Subscriptions	455.33	
Sale of Misc. Literature	1,058.18	
Honoraria	619.55	
Miscellaneous receipts (postage, travel refunds, etc.)	1,066.73	
		33,726.58

Receipts for Special Projects

For Fellowship of the Concerned	1,411.18	
For Publications (New South, etc.)	350.00	
For Home Town Self Survey Project	2,500.00	
For Travel in connection with Home Town Self Survey	500.00	
For Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law	1,000.00	
		5,761.18

Total receipts during year $ 39,487.76

SOURCES OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO SRC

Religious groups

Quakers	$ 5,000.00
Methodist	2,740.00
Episcopal	615.00
Presbyterian	500.00
Christian	25.00
Catholic Committee of the South	100.00

Organizations

Steelworkers	1,000.00
Auto Workers	1,000.00
ILGWU	500.00
Sidney Hillman Fund	2,500.00
Local CIO Union Councils	40.00
Miller-Rhodes	200.00
Brown Root Co.	500.00
Mentzer-Bush Co.	200.00
Georgia Teachers	100.00
N. C. Teachers	50.00
Kentucky Div. SRC	250.00

Foundations

Wm. Whitney	1,000.00
Edgar Stern	400.00
Sigmund Silberman	300.00
Lucius & Eva Eastman	250.00
Samuel & Augusta Rosenwald	200.00
John Cuneo	200.00
Ashby Jones	50.00

1,400

Indiv.

Cardinal Spellman - 1,000.00

Elizabeth Stern 400.00

Anon - (M. Hahn) 200.00

Individual Gifts $100 - or more

Carter Wesley	100.00
James L. Coker	250.00
Mrs. M. S. Sterne	100.00
J. R. Jeffrey	150.00 - Jan + Dec -
Frank Parson	100.00
Donald Oberhofer	100.00
Ben J. Massell	200.00
Herbert Elsas	200.00
Leonard Haas	100.00
Mrs. Ida L. Rich	100.00
Mrs. Edwin R Haas	100.00
Mr. Edwin R Haas	100.00
Mrs. Wm. Hogue	100.00
A. H. Dent	100.00
Miss Ruth Hawes	95.00

1951

EXPENSE

Salaries	22,432.86	
Social Security	253.31	
~~(cost to Council)~~		
Rent	1,560.00	
Printing	4,303.67	
Travel	2,910.12	
Office Supplies	850.66	
Postage	913.54	
Telephone & Telegraph	717.71	
Books & subscriptions	157.58	
Audit	272.50	
Interest expense	302.51	
Meeting Expense	51.85	
Insurance	42.82	
Special Services	90.00	
Bank charges	9.66	
Georgia Sales Tax	9.22	
Misc. expense	11.12	
		34,889.13
Paid on Notes Outstanding	2,050.00	
1950 Salaries paid in 1951	1,070.83	
Share of dues returned to State Divisions	1,421.75	
		4,542.58
Total expense during year		$ 39,431.71

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FUND FOR PUBLICATION OF NEW SOUTH

Receipts		
Phelps-Stokes Fund	$ 350.00	
Balance from Marshall Field Fund	2,235.00	
Interest earned	9.37	
		$ 2,594.37
Disbursements		
Printing	1,990.79	
Postage	340.60	2,331.39 ~~2,286.39~~
Balance in fund		$ ~~307.98~~ 262.98

NATIONAL SHARECROPPERS PAMPHLET

Balance from 1950		$ 400.00
Disbursements		
Salary	$ 50.00	
For Manuscripts	270.00	
Postage	1.55	
Book	1.75	
Travel	65.48	
		388.78
Balance in fund		$ 11.22

HOME TOWN SELF SURVEY PROJECT

Receipts		
Individual contributions	$ 500.00	
Organization contributions	500.00	
Foundation contributions	1,500.00	
		$ 2,500.00
Disbursements		
Salaries	1,451.00	
Travel	49.00	
Printing	1,000.00	
		2,500.00

GRANT FOR TRAVEL TO PROMOTE HOME TOWN SELF SURVEY

Receipts		
Organization contribution	500.00	
Disbursements		
Travel	78.28	
Balance in fund		421.72

COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES IN COURTS OF LAW

Received from Foundation $ 1,000.00

No disbursements made as of November 30, 1951

ESTIMATED MONTHLY BUDGET FOR SRC FOR 1952

Salaries	2,083.32
Social security (cost to Council)	24.63
Rent	130.00
Telephone & telegraph	55.00
Postage (including New South)	70.00
Printing	300.00
Office supplies	50.00
Travel	250.00
Books & subscriptions	12.00
A ll other	65.00
	3,039.95

This allows for current running expenses only - it does not allow for any payment on loand, extra printing, payment on back debts, etc.

Income for January 1952 to date is $1,923.28 - this includes all of the money received to Jan. 22, 1952

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
PROPOSED BUDGET - 1951

Estimated Expenses			Estimated Income		
Main Program			**Recurring**		
	23,500		Dues net to Atlanta	6,000	
Salaries	21,550		Sale of literature	2,000	
Travel	4,100		Church Contributions	4,000	
Office Supplies	1,300		Family funds	650	
Postage	900		Misc. small contributions	500	13,150
Printing	1,300				
Rent	1,460				
Telephone & Telegraph	750				
Books and subscriptions	100				
Audit	100	31,560			
Self-surveys			**Self-surveys**		
Salaries	1,300		Conditional grant made for 1951	1,000	
Travel	400		Expected matching gift	500	
Printing	500		Expected printing contribution	500	2,000
Postage	100				
Supplies	100				
Rent	100	2,500			
Fellowship of the Concerned			**Fellowship of the Concerned**		
			Balance available, 1951		200
Salaries	300				
Postage	300				
Supplies	100	700			
Tenancy Pamphlet			**Tenancy Pamphlet**		
			Promised by National Sharecroppers Fund	1,500	
Salaries	1,000				
Printing	500	1,500			
TOTAL EXPENSES		$ 36,260	Total foreseeable income		16,850

Notes:

Additional means which seem probable:

Recurring large gifts	2,000	
Trade Unions	1,000	
Small Foundations	1,200	
Total Probable Income		4,200
Total Foreseeable Income		16,850
Total		21,050

Expenses 1951	36,260
Less above	- 21,050
Possible 1951 deficit	15,210

Plus carry-over of any accrued debt from 1950, say	15,210
	- 1,000
	16,210
Plus "funded" debt	7,500
Possible total debt at end of 1951	23,710

Against this, hard work might raise from foundations 8,000 leaving 15,710 to be found, mainly through 50 for 51.

ESTIMATED INCOME

Ten months - March-December 1951

Contributions			
Church sources			
Methodist	$2,000		
Catholic	2,000		
Presbuterian	250		
Episcopal	100	$4,350	
Foundations		1,500	
Other sources			
Trade Unions	2,500		
Atlanta AJC members	1,000		
Other AJC members	500		
Emory Cmnty Chest	100		
Ntl Shcrprs Fund	1,000		
Individual	5,000	10,000	
Total Contributions			15,950
Dues			4,500
Honoraria			350
New South Subscriptions			300
Sale of literature			1,100
TOTAL ESTIMATED INCOME			22,200

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

Twelve months - 1951
(Revised from Nov. '50 Budget)

Salaries	23,920
Travel	4,400
Office Supplies	1,300
Rent	1,560
Postage	1 300
Tel and Tel	800
Miscellaneous	400
Interest	325
Audit	135
Bank Charges	10
Expenses of meetings	50
Corporate regstn fee	1
Printing	4,500
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	38,701

RECAPITULATION, 1951

Estimate expenditures, 1951	38,701
Less expenditures Jan and Feb	- 6,060
Estimated expenditures remaining ten months	32,641
Less, available for projects, and cash on hand	- 4,600
Total operating money to be found for remainder of 1951	28,041
Plus "standing debt", Feb. 28, '51	7,939
	35,978
Less estimated income remainder of 1951	- 22,200
Shortfall	13,778
Probable additional foundation grants	- 3,000
Total needed to be raised to end year debt free	10,778

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

March 7, 1952

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council was held in the offices of the Southern Regional Council, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, at 10:00 a. m. Friday, March 7, 1952. Dr. Charles S. Johnson, chairman of the Executive Committee, presided. Father V. J. O'Connell gave the invocation.

The following members were present:

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Rev. V. J. O'Connell
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie
Mr. Marion A. Wright
Dr. Harry V. Richardson
Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Mr. Alfred Mynders
Mr. John A. Griffin (lunch only)

The following staff members were present:

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Miss Katherine Stoney
Miss Emily Calhoun
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Miss Adella Shields
Miss Anna Holden

On motion, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Race and Law Enforcement

The Executive Director reviewed the success thus far of the campaign to get RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT into the hands of local action people. The pamphlet has been very widely bought by educational and religious organizations. Probably the most promising outlet thus far is the Woman's Societies of Christian Service of the Methodist Church, which, through Mrs. Tilly's work, have undertaken to get church women in every county in thirteen Southern States, plus Missouri, to carry the pamphlet to the sheriff. Other substantial undertakings were through the Catholic Committee of the South (1,000 copies) and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith (667 copies) and the Georgia Teachers and Education Association (500 copies).

Ways of Reducing Violence and Lawlessness in the South

At the Council's offices on February 22 a meeting had been held of a variety of agencies interested in reducing violence and lawlessness in the South. The group had concentrated on two corrective measures: improved housing and better law enforcement. A second meeting is planned for May, 1952, probably in Birmingham, and reports of special sub-committees will be available for that gathering. The Council, meanwhile, has undertaken to prepare and distribute a simple directory of Southern agencies interested in this field.

Self-Surveys

On survey matters, the Executive Director had lately visited Shreveport, Louisiana, where an excellent interracial survey of the needs of the Negro community is far along toward completion. The Council had lately heard also of an undertaking by Jackson County, Florida, to do a rural self-survey.

Financial Possibilities

In two New York trips made since the last meeting of the Executive Committee, the executive director had visited a variety of foundations, two of which have already made contributions to the Council. Other prospects were described.

Work Ahead

On work ahead, the executive director stressed the desirability of a pamphlet on fair employment practices, discussed the tasks involved in preparing local communities for changes in the segregated school pattern, the possibility of offering a training course in human relations, and described the present status of the proposed Commission on Equal Penalties in Southern Courts of Law.

Resignation of Mr. Dabney from the Board of Directors

Mention was made of the resignation from the Board of Mr. Virginius Dabney.

Further Distribution of Race and Law Enforcement

Mr. Fleming reported on the publicity received by RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Dr. Johnson suggested that it would be well to single out those police chiefs who had some inclination to evangelize better police practices and get them to write to other chiefs.

Mrs. Tilly described in greater detail the arrangements with church women for distributing the police pamphlet.

Mrs. Birnie brought out the undesirability of the paternalism involved in suggesting that Negro teachers' groups get white friends to act in their stead in carrying the police pamphlet to the sheriff or the chief, and the executive director stated that it was hoped that Negroes would themselves make the direct approach in every community where they felt strong enough to do so.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

The secretary-treasurer, Katherine Stoney, pointed out that the 1951 excess of income over expenditures was achieved by the utmost economy in staff, travel, and supplies. She exhibited a single copy of the audit for 1951, stating that the auditor had had difficulty in getting his copying done, and that official copies would not be available for some days.

EFFECT OF POLICY STATEMENT ON MEMBERSHIP

Mr. Wright asked if the policy statement issued in December had caused us to gain or lose members. Miss Stoney replied that there was no evidence on the point, though there had been a scattered few resignations which might have been connected with the policy statement. Correspondingly, the Council had recruited new members since the statement.

FUND-RAISING

Various members, including Mr. Richardson, Mr. Wright, Dr. Johnson, and Father O'Connell, took part in the discussion of fund-raising activities.

SRC TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS

On motion by Mr. Wright, it was voted that the Council continue operations until the next Executive Committee meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Finance Report - January 1 - November 30, 1952

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Individuals	$	6,040.47
Contributions from Organizations		3,303.26
Contributions from Churches		3,710.00
Contributions from Foundations		13,000.00
Members Dues		4,616.50
New South Subscriptions		438.50
Sale of Literature		1,670.68
Honoraria		343.17
Work on Negro Year Book		150.00
Sale of Equipment		18.00
Misc. (stopped payment on check from 1951)		4.50
Loan from Special Account **		100.00
Loan from Tenn. Division Funds held by Council		190.00
Total		33,585.08

(** Repaid Dec. 18th)

DIBBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$	20,552.17
Social Security (cost to Council)		252.25
Travel		1,530.39
Telephone & Telegraph		717.67
Printing		691.68
Rent		1,355.00
Office Supplies		628.19
Postage		395.34
Audit		75.00
Books & subscriptions		71.67
Interest on note - Dr. Mitchell		75.00
Note to Mr. Byrd		3,950.00
Interest on note - Mr. Byrd		50.00
Paid on Sharecroppers pamphlet		168.78
Police Scholarship		150.00
Meeting luncheons		24.90
Bank exchange and service charges		9.95
Insurance		9.00
Stenographer's services		52.36
Georgia sales tax		13.60
Misc. expense		31.00
Paid to State Divisions		1,059.00
Allocated to Fellowship of the Concerned		300.00
Paid on 1951 accounts		1,198.26
Total	$	33,361.11

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE as of December 20, 1952

George S. Mitchell, salary	$ 687.50
Katherine Stoney, salary	362.49
Mrs. M. E. Tilly, salary	100.00
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co.	64.64
Mimeograph Company	66.15
Elliott Addressing Machine Co.	11.59
Office Supply Co.	1.55
Due to State Divisions	238.00
Due to Tenn. Division	190.00
Total	1,721.92

Loan Payable - Citizens Trust Co. $ 500.00
(Due Feb. 1, 1953)

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

	Balance, January 1, 1952		$ 423.96
Receipts			
	Charlottesville Interracial Com.	$ 10.00	
	Allocated from Gen. Budget	300.00	
			310.00
			733.96
Disbursements			
	Travel	$ 167.71	
	Postage	70.00	
	Office supplies & photos	45.53	
	Steno. services	143.00	
	Telegram	1.44	
			427.68
	Balance, Dec. 20, 1952		$ 306.28

NCCJ TRAVEL FUND

Balance, Jan. 1, 1952	$ 421.72
Travel, Anna Holden on Survey promotion	408.28
Balance, Dec. 20, 1952	$ 13.44

NEW SOUTH APPROPRIATION

Balance, January 1, 1952		$ 262.98
Receipts		
Marshall Field Fund	$ 2,500.00	
Sale, Race & Law Enforcement	160.00	
		2,660.98
Disbursements		
Stein Printing Co.	1,996.96	
Postage	325.00	
Salary, H. Fleming	100.00	
Bank charge	.50	
		2,422.46
Balance, Dec. 20, 1952		500.52

COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES

Balance, Jan. 1, 1952		$ 1,000.00
Receipts		
Mr. Louis Aronstam	$ 25.00	
Mr. Morton Weiss	50.00	
Mr. Louis Regenstein, Jr.	50.00	
Mr. Armand May	50.00	
Mr. Frank Garson	25.00	
		200.00
Balance, Dec. 20, 1952		$ 1,200.00

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SRC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

April 6, 1954

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. at the Council's office in Atlanta, with President Marion A. Wright presiding in absence of the chairman. Present were:

Mrs. C. M. Birnie	Anna Holden
Paul Christopher	George S. Mitchell
Harold Fleming	Alfred Mynders
John Griffin	Katherine Stoney
Leonard Haas	M. A. Wright

Mrs. M.E. Tilly

After invocation by Mrs. Tilly, on motion the minutes of the meeting of February 10, '54 was dispensed with. President Wright reported on his preparations for the Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law. Correspondence with deans or professors in four law school having elicited only a disappointing show of interest and activity, he had corresponded with Professor Ira Reid, Haverford College, with the view of getting the services of several students to do the job which the Commission might require. Arrangements have been made for a group of students to give their time during this coming Summer with an allowance of $50.00 per week and travel from Haverford to point of work and return. He further reported on his interview with Judge Spirer of Miami. After further discussion and description of the plans, on motion it was agreed that the details of the Commission be left to Mr. Wright and the staff; Mr. Wright to continue to work out the matter in conjunction with the staff of the Southern Regional Council.

Report of the Executive Director

Review was given of the contacts made of the leading religious denominations on the matter of education of children toward incoming children in the event of integration in schools. Another program reviewed was the work with the National Council of Churches and various other denominations in getting travellers to go out, not at SRC expense, and bring together local and, wherever possible, interracial discussion groups on issues coming up with the forthcoming Supreme Court decision. The National Council has sent three men. The Congregational Church has sent one, the Episcopalian Church has promised one, and the Methodist Church has promised up to seven women leaders for work of this kind. Interest has been shown, also, by the Northern Presbyterians, the Lutherans, The Quakers, and the Disciples of Christ.

Report was made of the encouraging movement underway in Rock Hill, South Carolina towards a possible self-survey in that city.

Dr. Mitchell reviewed the various negotiations with the officials of the Fund for the Republic and described in detail the terms of the grant of $240,000 by the Fund to the Council for a first period of aid to State programs by the Central Office, reaching over 18 months from April 1, 1954. Stress was laid upon the importance of the sums to be raised by each organized State group and by the Central Office.

Mr. Morris Abram, a member of the Board, Having come into the meeting, reviewed for those present the sense of urgency he had received in contacts with Freeman as to the funds to be raised by the Southern Regional Council itself.

The Committee then reviewed in some detail a statement soon to be issued by the Executive Committee as to the Fund for the Republic, and approved it as follows:

"We are pleased to announce that the Fund for the Republic has approved a grant of $240,000 to assist the Southern Regional Council's educational program in twelve Southern States for an 18-month period. The Fund for the Republic, which was established by the Ford Foundation in December 1952, is concerned with preserving and extending those individual rights which are the essence of our American heritage. The Southern Regional Council, since its founding in 1944, has expressed that concern as it exists among thoughtful people of both races in the South. As the successor to the Commission on Interracial Cooperation, the Council goes back, in experience and good-will, to 1919. Its aim is the attainment of equal opportunity for all the people of the South.

Throughout these years the Council, like the Commission before it, has sought to unite the best of Southern thought and leadership, without racial distinctions. It has employed the familiar methods of fact-finding, conference, and persuasion, and has fostered the development of state divisions and affiliates through which its members might work in their respective states and communities. The central office in Atlanta coordinates and services the state groups and individual members throughout the region.

The grant from the Fund for the Republic, together with contributions from other sources, will make possible stronger and more independent state bodies. It is contemplated that each state organization affiliated with the Council shall have its own membership, governing board, and officers. The greater part of the newly available funds will be used to enable the state groups to employ professional staff persons, white and Negro. Thus each Southern state will have a full-time human relations service, available to both public officials and private citizens, maintained and directed by local leadership. The states to be included are Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia.

The grant of the funds is in reality a challenge to the strengthened state bodies to win the local support necessary to become self-sustaining human relations agencies.

The Southern Regional Council proper will now consist of a widely representative board drawn from both races and every state in the region. The Atlanta office will continue to perform fact-finding, information, and coordinating functions.

We believe that this approach is well suited to the human relations needs of the South. It puts major reliance where it belongs -- on local responsibility and initiative -- and it gives opportunity for the constructive forces in every Southern state to work effectively.

This pattern has characterized the activities of the Southern Regional Council from the beginning, and with heartening results. It has helped secure the right of the Negro citizens to vote without hindrance. It has provided a network of Southern people with the will and the know-how to curb racial tension and violence. It has helped make possible the employment of Negro policemen and other municipal workers in scores of Southern cities. It has spread the example of self-survey, through which a number of communities have achieved cooperation and progress across the lines of race. It has mobilized church women in a Southwide effort for impartial law enforcement and equal justice in the courts. It has stimulated local groups to study and seek correction of school inequalities. It has made widely known every Southern precedent for the dropping of racial barriers -- in professional associations, higher education, transportation, public libraries, and the like.

The impending Supreme Court decision on public school segregation -- whatever it may be -- will call for all that is best and most responsible in Southern life. Fortunately there is abundant and growing evidence today of Southern willingness to find positive, democratic solutions to the problems of the region. It is our hope and belief that the Southern Regional Council through its expanded state services, will make an important contribution to this effort.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council expresses its gratitude to the Fund for the Republic for putting this new strength into the growth of human opportunity in the South."

Dr. Mitchell then reported on the proposed conference at Williamsburg, May 6,7,8, and 9, drawing together twenty-odd people over the South who would draw up plans for maximum advantage from whatever may be the forthcoming decision of the Court. He stressed that the conference is not specifically a SRC gathering but is a service being performed by the Southern Regional Council, without any special organizational interest.

It was stated that the reduced version of the Ashmore Report, done by Mr. Fleming for the Public Affairs Committee, had been completed and that the Council was proceeding with its own reduced version, for which a grant of $5,000, previously announced to the Executive Committee, had been received some time back The Executive Director displayed a map based of the Census of 1950, showing the distribution of the white and Negro population in the Southern states. And afterwards, it was agreed by those present that the map should be included in the issue on the Ashmore Report.

Mention was made, also, of the idea of strengthening the traditions in the mountain areas of an independent attitude on questions of civil liberties and educational programs.

Report of the Director of Women's Work

Mrs. Tilly reviewed the various speaking engagements she had filled with Church groups om matters of school segregation and otherwise. It was her view that the feeling is widespread that segregation was approaching its end, and people are anxious to work out the best ways of peaceful adjustment.

Report of the Assistant Director

Harold Fleming reviewed the various pick-ups of material carried in New South, speaking particularly of the issue on library integration and the one carrying the article by Dr. Benjamin E. Mays. He mentioned the reprinting made by the Council of Ralph McGill's column on segregation.

By-Laws

The Executive Committee, after discussion of the By-Laws adopted at the membership meeting May 14, 1953, and to be implemented at the pleasure of the Executive Committee, made the following suggestions:

1. An amendment defining the duties of the Executive Committee
2. An amendment defining the duties of the Assistant Director
3. Eliminate the word all in description of members who are elected to vacancies on the Council.

On motion, the Executive Committee brought the By-Laws of May, 1953 into effect as of April 6, 1954, by making the proviso that amendments to accomplish the purposes set out in 1, 2, and 3, above, be drafted, presented, and voted upon at the next annual meeting.

Securing Funds

When the Committee reconvened after lunch, it was stated, on motion, that the banking and all security of funds now on hand from the Fund for the Republic be left to the staff, acting on the advice of the Counsel, Mr. Leonard Haas.

Upon motion, it was voted to increase the bond now carried on the Executive Director and the Secretary-Treasurer to $50,000 each.

Mr. Christopher called attention to the need for having Workmen's Compensation for employees and the Executive Director and Secretary-Treasurer were asked to take care of this matter through Mr. Haas. The Executive Director reviewed the matter of times when various new state programs could be set in motion, explaining that while the total grant was made available for 18 months, money was available which would only cover about 12 months of operation for each state, and it would therefore be necessary for the state programs to get underway with SRC assistance at a date around October 1, 1954.

Mr. Wrgiht asked those present to draw up workable plans for bringing in the sums needed to be raised for the Central Office. He further proposed that each State Division meet sometime during the coming month for planning programs and staff, and means to get the money they will need to raise.

The matter of a choice of an Assistant Executive Director

Dr. Mitchell proposed the selection of Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton, currently Director of the Atlanta Urban League, and it was agreed that a final decision would be made after consultation with additional members of the Executive Committee.

In the discussion on New South, it was noted that the staff proposed that the magazine run as at present during 1954, but that it be expanded and improved beginning January 1, 1955.

The Committee agreed that the annual meeting of the Council be planned for November, 1954. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

Notes for Report

1. Where money comes from

Total receipts of "umarked money"	$ 31,630.58
For special projects	5,761.18
Total	37,391.76

From individuals
Atlanta A. J. C.
Atlanta Negro Community

21% of total income from individuals -
24% of ind. cont. come from South

From Religious groups

Quakers largest	5,000.00	
Methodist	2,465.00	+ 275. —
Episcopal	615.00	
Presbyrterian	500.00	
Christian	25.00	
Catholic	100.00	

27% 8½% of Church money comes from South

From Foundations

Ashby Jones - 50.
Edgar Stern - 400 - ✓
Christian Service
Wm. Whitney — 100.0. ✓
Sigmund Silberman - 300 - ✓
Samuel and Augusta Rosenwald - 200 - ✓
Cuneo - 200 - ✓
Lucius & Eva Eastman - 750. ✓

~~Foundations~~ 16% of total from Found. 11% from South

From Organizations
Ga. Teachers
N. C. Teachers - 50.00
Mentzer Bush
Emory Univ.
Prairie View College - 15.00
Talladega College.
Brown-Roots Co.
Atlanta AVC
S. C. Women's Clubs.

Miller Rodes - 200 -

of these 85% from South

Labor Groups

Steelworkers	1,000.00
Auto Workers	1,000.00
ILGWU	500.00
Amalgamated from Sidney Hillman	2,500.00

CIO - 25.00 15.00 AFL - 10 -

Organizations furnish 11½ % of total

Members dues

Furnish 11½ % of total - 89% of members dues comefrom south
State Divisions get 4% of total income
New South - 1½ %
Misc. Lit. - 3%
Honoraria - 2%
Misc. 2½%

Where money goes

Estimated budget 10 mo. period	We spent 11 mo. period	
$ 23,920.00	20,887.01	Salaries
~~Travel~~		
4,400.00	2,631.12	Travel
~~Office~~		
1,300.00	850.66	Office Supplies
1,560.00	1,430.00	Rent
1,300.00	878.54	Postage
800.00	717.71	Telephone
~~Interest~~		
325.00	302.51	Interest
135.00	272.50	Audit
~~XXXXXX~~		
10.00	896.00	Bank charges
~~Meetingx~~		
50.00	51.85	Meeting Expense
4,500.00	4,303.67	Printing
400.00	293.48	Misc.
	234.76	Social Security

Of amounts spent - $5,635.32 was paid from ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~xc special funds for salaries, printing, etc.

Where we stand

Total amount owed by Council including notes outstanding $5703.71
Amount due at time of last meeting 9,121.03

Arrangement with Mr. Byrd.
Paid 1,500 in April, 1950 renewed note to Dec. 31
Paid 550.00 in Oct. and interest to Jan. 1952. renewed note to April 52

Special funds

Safety, ~~Book~~ Security & South - bill paid in full

NCCJ grant for Rock Hill project - money returned and reallotted

As of Nov. 30 had deficit of $61.69 - now been made up

Balance in special funds - $2,164.88

Need to finish out year

Annual meeting

Rent for Dec. -
Tel bill
2 payroll periods

Membership

Members 1836 1541 single and 295 joint

225 new members this year.

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Of total - 193 are out of South and 9 Foreign

Georgia largest no
La, S. C. Virginia, Ala, Florida, Miss, Tex, N. C., Tenn. Ky, Ark.

New York largest no out of South.

Of people sending 10.00 memberships (or more) 219 - 27 of these out of South

SC/SRC
4/17/47

BY-LAWS

of the

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

ARTICLE I
Name

The name of this organization is the South Carolina Division of the Southern Regional Council.

ARTICLE II
Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be to endeavor to promote in the state of South Carolina the aims and purposes of the Southern Regional Council, which are stated in the charter of the Council as follows:

> "The objects and purposes of said Corporation are to exist and function as an eleemosynary organization, and more particularly to organize and maintain a Regional Council for the improvement of economic, civic and racial conditions in the South, in the endeavor to promote a greater unity in the South, in all efforts toward regional and racial development; to attain through research and action programs the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the region; to reduce race tension, the basis of race tension, racial misunderstanding, and racial distrust; to develop and integrate leadership in the South on new levels of regional development and fellowship; and to cooperate with local, State, and regional agencies on all levels in the attainment of the desired objectives."

ARTICLE III
Membership

Section 1. Members. Voting members of this organization shall consist of members of the Southern Regional Council who live in the State of South Carolina.

Section 2. Associates. Persons who are not members of the SRC but who wish to cooperate with this division may become associates of the division. They may attend meetings and may have the privilege of the floor, but shall be without vote.

Section 3. Dues. Annual dues of members shall be the dues required for membership in the Southern Regional Council, and shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Southern Regional Council. Annual dues of Associates shall be $1.00 a year, and shall be paid to the Treasurer of the South Carolina Division.

Section 4. Affiliate Agencies. Agencies may become affiliated members of the South Carolina Division paying dues of $5.00 for a local agency and $10.00 for a statewide agency, each affiliated agency to have one official delegate with vote at the state meeting. The affiliated group,as such, need not subscribe to all of the program of the SRC.

ARTICLE IV
Meetings

Section 1. Annual Meetings. The South Carolina Division of the Southern Regional Council shall hold annually a meeting of the members for the transaction of business at such time, at such place as may be designated by the Executive Board. Notice of the annual meeting shall be given to each member in writing not less than 30 days before the meeting.

Section 2, Special Meetings. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman or by the Executive Board at any time. Notice of every special meeting shall state the time and place of such meeting and the nature of the business to be transacted, and it shall be delivered to each member at least ten days before such meeting.

Section 3, Quorum. The presence of not less than 5 per cent of the members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of members.

Section 4. Voting. Each member shall have one vote, and unless otherwise provided in these by-laws, a majority of votes cast shall be sufficient to elect or to pass any measure.

ARTICLE V
Executive Board

Section 1. Election and Powers. The members shall elect an Executive Board of not more than 25 members, in addition to the Chairman, the Vice Chairmen, the Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall be ex-officio members of the Board. The members of the first Executive Board elected under these by-laws shall be divided by lot so that the terms of one-third expire in two years, one-third in four years, and one-third in six years. Each Executive Board member elected at such annual meetings shall hold office for a term of two years, and shall be eligible for re-election except that he may not serve more than two consecutive terms. The Chairman of the South Carolina Division shall be Chairman of the Executive Board. During the intervals between meetings of members, the Executive Board may exercise all of the powers of the members unless otherwise instructed. It shall keep a full and fair account of its transactions, and its actions shall be reported to the members at their meetings and shall be subject to revision and alteration by the members.

Section 2. Meetings. The Executive Board shall hold regular meetings as provided by its own rules or as instructed by a resolution of the members of the South Carolina Division, and it may hold special meetings at the call of the Chairman of of any five members of the Board.

Section 3, Quorum. The presence of 12 members, including ex-officio members, shall constitute a quorum of the Executive Board.

Section 4, Vacancies. In case of any vacancy on the Executive Board the remaining members of the Board may select a successor to fill the vacancy.

Section 5. Advisory Committee. An Advisory Committee may be set up by the Executive Board to function in such ways, at such times, and for such duration as its discretion may seem best.

ARTICLE VI
Officers

The officers of this organization shall be a Chairman, two Vice Chairmen, A Secretary and a Treasurer. These officers shall be elected annually by members and shall perform duties usually performed by such officers. Any vacancy in any of these offices may be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the Executive Board. The Chairman and first Vice Chairman shall serve as Chairman and Vice Chairman respectively of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VII
Finances

Section 1. All checks, drafts, or orders for the payment of money in the name of the South Carolina Division shall be signed by the Treasurer.

Section 2. The fiscal year shall be the calendar year.

Section 3. Financial Report The Treasurer shall submit a financial report to the members at each annual meeting and send a copy to SRC.

Note: $1.00 of the dues of each SRC member in South Carolina will be returned to the Treasurer of the South Carolina Division. Likewise, any contribution earmarked by South Carolina members for use in South Carolina will be returned.

ARTICLE VIII
Amendments

These by-laws may be amended at any annual meeting of members, or at any special meeting called for that stated purpose, by a majority of the members present.

mailed 2/8/51

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Statement of Dues Returns.

December 1950

NAME AND ADDRESS	DUES
Mr. Samuel Want Darlington	$1.50
Dr. J. J. Seabrook Claflin University, Orangeburg	3.00*
Mr. L.L. Foster 1704 Green Street, Columbia	3.00*
Mr. L. P. Hollis Parker School District, Greenville	3.00*
Mr. H. A. DeCosta 93-C Spring Street Charleston	2.50
Miss Rebecca Reid Sumter	1.50
Mrs. Helen B. Bourne 1116 Highland Street, Greenwood	1.50
Mrs. Ralph T. Wilson Laurens	1.50
Mrs. A. Grady Whitmire 121 Croft Street, Greenville	1.50
Mrs. L. E. High 3116 Gadsden Street, Columbia	1.50
Mrs. L. E. Gatlin 1329 Milligan Street, Newberry	1.50
Miss Ruby Ott 3700 Heyward Street, Columbia 5	1.50
Mrs. J. Ashby Turner 1829 Senate Street, Columbia 1	1.50
Mrs. John A. McCormack 11 Bull Street, Charleston	1.50

South Carolina, continued December 1950

NAME AND ADDRESS	DUES
Mrs. Ellis D. Palmer 304 South Main Street, Sumter	$3.00
Mr. Albert D. Betts Pinopolis	1.50
Miss A. A. Nelson 2202 Gervais Street, Columbia	1.50
Reverend James K. Jackson First Presbyterian Church 1324 Marion Street, Columbia	1.50
Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Bacoats Bendeict College, Harden Street, Columbia	1.50
Mr. Maxie Collins 3028 Manchester Avenue, Columbia	1.50
Dr. W. R. Gregg P.O. Box 17, Camden	1.50
Reverend C. H. Simon 1208 Barnwell Street, Columbia	1.50
Mrs. G. E. Nelson Benedict College, Harden Street, Columbia	1.50
Mr. William S. James South Main Street, Sumter	1.50
Dr. B. T. Williams 25½ East Liberty Street, Sumter	1.50
Mr. W. L. Gamble 1724 Campbell Street, Camden	1.50
Mr. J. L. Gambrell Benedict College, Harden Street, Columbia	1.50
Mr. C. A. Johnson 2310 Stark Street, Columbia	1.50
Reverend J. H. Alston 2226 Hampton Street, Columbia	1.50
Dr. R. W. Mance 1428 Pine Street, Columbia	1.50
Dr. L. H. Hallman 2309½ Gervais Street, Columbia	1.50

South Carolina Division, continued — December 1950

Name and Address	Dues
Mr. J. W. Boykin 714 Chestnut Street, Camden	$1.50
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Pelot Corner of Richland and Pulaski Sts., Columbia	2.00
Mr. Harold Cole 1301 Hampton Street, Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Hattie Duckett 110 Hayne Street, Greenville	1.50
Dr. W. M. Ratliffe 124 North Leach Street, Greenville	1.50
Mrs. J. O. Rutherford 1429 Park Street, Columbia	6.00
Mrs. C. W. Riser 1224 Washington Street, Columbia	1.50
Miss Mary E. Frayser Winthrop College, Rock Hill	1.00
Miss Sophie Dabbs Rip Rap, Mayesville	1.50
Miss Madge Graydon 1110 Barnwell Street, Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Leon Holley 920 Greenville Street, Aiken	10.00
Mrs. M. B. Wilkinson State College, Orangeburg	10.00
Reverend C. L. Jackson 1012 Harden Street, Columbia	1.50
Miss Elizabeth Keys 118 James Street, Greenville	1.50
Mr. E. F. Gamble 816 Chestnut Street, Camden	1.50
Miss Elizabeth Davidson Hartsville	3.00*
	$100.50

*50 for 51

cc: J. M. Dabbs, chmn
Miss Rebecca Reid, Sec.
Miss Adele Minahan, Treas.
Miss Wil Lou Grey, Memb. Sec.

South Carolina Citizens Committee on Children and Youth

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February 10, 1951

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Mrs. Norma Huff
Secretary -Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue , N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Huff:

We thank you for the check received yesterday. You will receive additional funds soon which was collected at a meeting last week.

Best wishes to you and associates.

Cordially,

Adele J. Minahan

Treasurer
S.C. Division - Southern Regional Council

February 23, 1951

Miss Wil Lou Gray, Director
The Opportunity School
West Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Miss Gray:

We acknowledge with many thanks your money order for $45 and the additional check for $5.00.

Your interest in the Council is greatly appreciated and we wish you success in securing the new memberships you hope to find. We are indeed proud of the active interested membership in the South Carolina Division.

Again, our thanks, and kindest regards.

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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The Opportunity School of South Carolina

WIL LOU GRAY, DIRECTOR T. D. WATKINS, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

WEST COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

February 20, 1951

Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Incl
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

50.00 NH

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

Enclosed are a money order in the amount of $45 and a $5 check.

Of the $45, $20 is from Miss Vernette Moore, one of our teachers here at the Opportunity School. $10 is for a sustained membership, and $10 as a contribution to the South Carolina Division of the Council.

Another $20 of the $45 is from me, to be used in the same way as Miss Moore's.

This leaves $5 of the money order, which is from Mr. T. D. Watkins, our principal. $3 is for membership dues, $1 for NEW SOUTH, and $1 contribution to the South Carolina Division.

The $5 check from Miss Dorothy Bell, 1912 Assembly Street, Columbia, is to be used in the same way as Mr. Watkins' money.

I am happy to report these new memberships, and hope I shall be able to secure many more this year.

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Sincerely yours,

Wil Lou Gray
(Miss) Wil Lou Gray
Director

WLG:dhb
Enclosures 2
CC: Mr. Dabbs

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March 8, 1951

Mr. James M. Dabbs
"Rip Raps"
Meyesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Thanks again for the memberships you brought to the meeting Saturday. We have acknowledged their receipt, except for Miss Bryan's check and that with the undecipherable signature. We look forward to receiving Miss Bryan's address and a translation of the signature.

Again, we want to thank you for coming down to the meeting Saturday. From the viewpoint of the staff, we thought it was the most helpful meeting we've ever had and, of course, we were very happy to have such a good attendance. The suggested revisions of the foundation appeal are still being worked on. You will probably receive them in the next week or so.

Our kindest regards.

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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JAMES McBRIDE DABBS · RIP RAPS · MAYESVILLE, S. C.

March 1, 1951

Miss Norma Huff, Secretary- Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Huff:

I am enclosing the following checks:

Miss Susan D. Bryan, Sumter, S.C. (I shall have to obtain the street address)	$3.00
Miss Elizabeth White, N. Main St. Sumter	10.00
Miss MarybE . Frayser, Winthrop College, Rock Hill	10.00
Mr. James P Kinard, 704 College Ave., Rock Hill	10.00
Mr. H. R. Hawkins, 557 Hampton St. Rock Hill	5.00
Miss Dorothy Jones, Winthrop College, Rock Hill	5.00
Undecipherable signature, Rock Hill(I will ask Miss Frayser to send you the proper name and address)	~~10.00~~
Total	53.00

Nlt

Miss Frayser has sent me another check for $10, but it is made to her and not endorsed, and I am returning it to her for her endorsement, and will ask her to send it on to you.

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours ~~sincerely~~,

J. M. Dabbs

J. M. Dabbs, Chairman,
S. C. Div., SRC., Inc.

March 8, 1951

Miss Adele J. Minahan
1930 College Street
Columbia 5, South Carolina

Dear Miss Minahan:

We acknowledge with many thanks the fifteen memberships you recently sent us. Are we correct in assuming they were all from Columbia?

In checking the records, we found that several of these people had been dropped for non-payment of dues and they are now being reinstated. This is always encouraging to us.

Do send us those three addresses when you can. We will acknowledge the receipt of all these memberships.

Our kindest regards.

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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March I, 1951

Mrs.Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs.Huff:

We are enclosing check for $ 76.00 dues collected during the month of February . You will note this roster includes four " 50 for '5I " . You will also note that we do not have the addresses for three members -when the dues were collected the addresses were not secured-so I am securing them by many methods as some of these persons are not listed in the telephone directory .

Best wishes to you and associates.

Cordially,
Adele J. Minahan
Treas S.C. Div S.R.C.

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DUES RECEIVED DURING FEBRUARY 1951

S.C.Division of the Southern Regional Council

Mr.T.V. Swinton -2507 Laurel St ----------$ 6.00 (dues and donation to SRC

Mr.W.H.Hubert -1706 Harden St----------$ 3.00

Mrs.Annie Belle Weston - 2434 Millwood Avenue----$ 3.00

Mrs.T.J.Hamberry - Benedict Col, Harden St ------$ 3.00

Mr.Eugene A.Montgomery- 1719 Taylor St. ---------$ 3.00

Mrs.Ethel M.Gordon -2119 Washington St ---------$ 3.00

The Rev. Maxie S.Gordon - 2119 Washington St---- $ 3.00

Mrs.Martin D. Young - Wales Garden Apts ---------$ 3.00

Mrs.J.Roy Jones - 5618 Colonial Drive ----------$ 3.00

Mr. J.H.Washington - 2330 Read St----------$10.00 (dues and donation to SRC

Mrs.Marian Paul -- 2324 Washington St ----------$ 10.00 (dues and donation to SRC
(2324)

Will send addresses later for the following members :

Mr.J.E. Briggs ----------$ 3.00

Mr.Denny Jacqueline -- ------$ 3.00

Mr.J.W.Ligon - ----$ 10.00 (dues and donation to SRC

Mrs.K.G.Finlay -1717 Green St ----------$ 10.00 (dues and donation to SRC

Total $ 76.00
NH

March 20, 1951

Dr. Allen D. Edwards
Department of Sociology
Winthrop College
Rock Hill, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Edwards:

At the time of my last letter to you, I had not received the list and dues from Miss Mary Frayser. We have noted that Dr. Duckett was among those renewing membership and his dues are now current.

Dues are $3.00 per year for a single membership, and $4.00 for a joint, husband-wife membership. We are currently engaged in a sustaining membership campaign at $10.00 per member. These are the three classifications of memberships now.

We do notify the members when dues are payable. If they neglect the notice, they are billed again, and after two years, they are notified that their membership is being discontinued. In the past the billing has been done by third class mail, along with New South mailings. Our more recent practice has been to bill by first class mail because such bills are more likely to be noticed.

We are glad to give you this information and assure you of our cooperation in your efforts to enlarge and activate the Rock Hill membership.

Our kindest regards.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff

WINTHROP COLLEGE
THE SOUTH CAROLINA COLLEGE FOR WOMEN
ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

March 16, 1951

Mrs. Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Huff:

Thank you for checking the list of names of local Southern Regional Council members. There are two additional questions which I would like to ask. First, are the dues still $3 per year? Second, in the case of Dr. D. M. Duckett, 424 South Trade Street, you said that he had been discontinued for nonpayment of dues. In view of the fact that he has contributed recently through Miss Mary Frayser, will part of that contribution be applied to his dues? It is my understanding that the regional office will notify each member when his annual dues are payable. If this is not correct, please explain what is expected.

Sincerely yours,

Allen D. Edwards

Allen D. Edwards
Head of Department

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March 21, 1951

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Mrs.Norma Huff
Secretary -Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs.Huff:

I am sorry of the delay in sending the addresses for the following persons enroll in our Council at a recent meeting :

Mr.J.E.Briggs - Benedict College , Harden Street, Columbia

Miss Denny Jacqueline - Benedict College , Harden Street, Columbia

We have not succeeded in securing the address of Mr.J.W.Ligon - he is not listed in city directory, phone book and does not seem to have any public connections as the request for this information was made at club meetings, church groups and etc.

acknowledged by post card 3/23/51 NH

We are enclosing a check for $ 10.00 NH from Miss Jane McDonald , 2406 Blossom Street, Columbia , S.C. Dues for State and Contribution to Regional Council .

Miss McDonald is a teacher at Columbia College (sociology) and would like to have materials relative to conditions in the South . We feel she could use information advantageously.

Will continue to do " research work " on Mr.Ligon .

Happy Easter to you and the folks at Council office.

Cordially,

Adele J. Minahan

Mar. 1951 –

S.C. Div. overpaid by
$ 1.00

WINTHROP COLLEGE
THE SOUTH CAROLINA COLLEGE FOR WOMEN
ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

April 6, 1951

Mrs. Norma Huff, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, North East
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Huff:

NH

Enclosed please find a check for $4 to cover a joint membership fee in the Southern Regional Council for Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Suritz, 532 Forest Lane, Rock Hill, South Carolina.

Sincerely yours,

Allen D. Edwards

Allen D. Edwards
Head of Department

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Enclosure

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March 14, 1951

Dr. Allen D. Edwards
Winthrop College
Rock Hill, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Edwards:

We are returning your list of Council members in Rock Hill. The check indicates that the individuals are Council members. We have no membership record for those not checked, except for Dr. Duckett who was dropped for non-payment of dues.

Two names have been added to your list, but these people have dues long in arrears. They will be written shortly and dropped also if they do not renew their memberships.

In two cases we have a slightly different listing and these have been indicated.

We are happy to correct your list and hope you will write us again if we can be of any help.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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S.R.C. Members

1.	Rev. Grady Beard	Flint Hill
2.	Professor Andra Brazelton. . . .	Winthrop College
3.	Rev. H. D. Brown, Jr.	311 E. Main Street
4.	Mrs. M. W. Chisholm.	435 S. Trade Street
5.	Mrs. Annie M. Cloud	324 Allen Street
6.	Mrs. Frances Davis	414 S. Trade Street
7.	Dr. D. M. Duckett	424 S. Trade Street
8.	Dr. Allen D. Edwards	Winthrop College
9.	Mrs. T. S. Gilmore	164 W. Black Street
10.	Miss Mary E. Frayser	316 Aiken Avenue
11.	Mr. E. P. Gist	120 Wilson Street
12.	Dr. J. H. Goudlock	Friendship College
13.	Dr. F. W. Gregg	1135 Myrtle Drive
14.	Dr. A. B. Hawkes	351 E. Main Street
15.	Rev. H. B. Hawkins	557 Hampton Street
16.	Dr. Dorothy Jones	Winthrop College
17.	Mrs. J. P. Kinard	704 College Avenue
18.	Dr. W. R. Laney	459 S. Trade Street
19.	Rev. J. H. Lewis	Rte. 2, Castle Height
20.	Mrs. Jessie Lowrance	366 E. Main Street
21.	Professor R. W. McGirt	450 S. Trade Street
22.	Mrs. J. W. Milling	422 E. Main Street
23.	Mrs. Sallie V. Moreland	Clinton College
24.	Rev. J. A. Reeder	Rte. 2, Castle Height
25.	Mr. Prince Riley	425 S. Trade Street
26.	Mrs. Johnie M. Roberson	136 Pond Street
27.	Miss Dorothy Sears	722 Crest Street
28.	Rev. Maurice V. Shean	434 Charlotte Avenue
29.	Mrs. Ben Strozier.	p.O. Box 609
30.	Mr. A. L. Suritz	532 Forest Lane

Rev. James D. Rucker
315 Allen

Miss Ruth Williams
Winthrop College

WINTHROP COLLEGE
THE SOUTH CAROLINA COLLEGE FOR WOMEN
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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

March 8, 1951

Miss Norma Huff
Secretary- Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave., N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Huff:

We are trying to get a correct list of local members of the Southern Regional Council. I am enclosing a list from our local books. Could you tell us which ones are members according to your redords? If there are other local members, I would also be glad to learn about them.

Sincerely yours,

Allen D. Edwards

Allen D. Edwards

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April 11, 1951

Miss Adele J. Minahan
1930 College Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Miss Minahan:

Our enclosed check represents one-half of the dues returned to the South Carolina Division in 1951, as follows:

January	$ 6.00
February	43.50
March	70.00
	$119.50

Mr. A. L. Geisenheimer, Associate Professor of Economics, University of South Carolina, resigned from Council membership. He expressed sympathy with our program but unable to continue to support it.

With all good wishes.

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Mr. Dabbs, Chmn
Miss Reid, Sec.
Miss Grey, Memb., Sec.

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Statement of Dues Return

January 1951

NAME AND ADDRESS	DUES
Thomas Eagan, C.S.S.R. Redemptorist Fathers, Aiken	$3.00*
Alice W. Anderson 311 Cleveland Avenue, Anderson	3.00
	$6.00

*"50 for '51"

cc: Mr. Dabbs, Chmn.
Miss Reid, Sec.
Miss Minahan, Treas.
Miss Grey, Memb. Sec.

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Statement of Dues Return

February 1951

NAME AND ADDRESS	DUES
A. B. Hawkes Box 648, Rock Hill	$1.50
Gabrielle Austin Apt. 9 E, Calhoun Towers, Greenville	3.00*
Mrs. B. Duval Chambers (Mary T) 3517 Devereux Rd., Columbia 39	1.50
William A. Dabbs Mayesville	3.00*
Mrs. Harriet P. Simons 84 South Battery, Charleston 21	2.00
S. J. McDonald Sumter	1.50
Dr. Edmund McDonald Sumter	1.50
Dr. B. T. Williams 314 Bartelette Street Sumter	3.00*
Mrs. E. D. Palmer 304 S. Main Street, Sumter	3.00*
James H. Goudlock Friendship Jr. College, Rock Hill	3.00
Mrs. H. L. Shaw 240 Church Street, Sumter	1.50
Rev. and Mrs. J. Claude Evans P. O. Box 1050, Clemson	2.00
Very Rev. Maurice V. Shean, C. O. 434 Charlotte Avenue, Rock Hill	2.50

*"50 for '51"

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Statement of Dues Return

February 1951

NAME AND ADDRESS	DUES
Miss Vernette B. Moore Route 2, Box 273, West Columbia	$3.00*
Miss Wil Lou Grey 1815 Divine Street, Columbia	3.00*
Mr. T. D. Watkins The Opportunity School, West Columbia	3.50
Miss Dorothy Bell 1912 Assembly Street, Columbia	3.50
Mrs. Albert O. (Pauline K.) Springs Myrtle Beach	1.50
	$43.50

"50 for '51"

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Statement of Dues Return

March 1951

NAME AND ADDRESS	DUES
Mrs. G. S. Brown R.F.D. 1, Box 265, John's Island	$1.50
Mr. T. Swinton 2507 Laurel St., Columbia	1.50
Mr. W. H. Hubert 1706 Harden St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Annie Bell Weston 2434 Millwood Ave., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. T. J. Hamberry Benedict College, Columbia	1.50
Mr. Eugene A. Montgomery 1719 Taylor St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Ethel M. Gordon 2119 Washington St., Columbia	1.50
Rev. Maxie S. Gordon 2119 Washington St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Martin D. Young Wales Garden Apts., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. J. Roy Jones 5618 Colonial Dr., Columbia	1.50
Mr. J. H. Washington 2330 Read St., Columbia	3.00*
Mrs. Marion Paul 2324 Washington St., Columbia	3.00*
Mr. J. E. Briggs Benedict College, Columbia	1.50
Mr. Denny Jacqueline Benedict College, Columbia	1.50
Mr. J. W. Ligon	3.00*
Mrs. K. G. Finally 1717 Green St.	3.00*

Miss Susan D. Bryan Sumter	$1.50
Miss Elizabeth White N. Main St., Sumter	3.00*
Miss Mary E. Frayser Winthrop College, Rock Hill	3.00*
Mr. James P. Kinard 704 College Ave., Rock Hill	3.00*
Mr. H. R. Hawkins 557 Hampton St., Rock Hill	2.50
Miss Dorthea Jones Winthrop College, Rock Hill	2.50
Dr. D. M. Duckett 424 S. Trade St.	3.00*
E. B. Hallman P.O. Box 606, Spartanburg	1.50
Rev. A. B. Hawkes Box 648, Rock Hill	3.00*
R. W. McGirt P.O. Box 527, Rock Hill	2.50
Rev. G. W. Beard Route 2, Box 52, Rock Hill	1.00
Mrs. Ben L. Strozier P.O. Box 609, Rock Hill	2.50
Mrs. A. M. Cloud 324 Allen St., Rock Hill, S.C.	3.00
Miss Jane McDonald 2406 Blossom St., Columbia	3.00*
Mrs. Marie G. Chisholm 435 S. Trade St., Rock Hill	1.00
Archibald R. Lewis History Dept. U. of S.C., Columbia	3.00
	$70.00

— 69.00
S.C. overpaid
by 1.00

cc: Mr. Dabbs
Miss Reid
Miss Minahan
Miss Grey

Dear Mrs.Huff :

Thank you for check for membership dues for January - February and March, 1951.

Hope all goes well with you and the Council.

Sincerely,

April 13, 1951

Adele J. Munahan
Treasurer
S.C. Division

Miss Roberta Aldrich
1408 Gervais Street
Columbia 1, S.C.

Her membership expires 1/52.

She wishes to be dropped at
this time.

Bring this to attention of membership
Secretary Dec. 1951

MISS ROBERTA ALDRICH
1408 GERVAIS STREET
COLUMBIA 1, S. C.

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Southern Regional Council

April 14, 1951

Dear Mr. Mitchell,

Your letter of April 12 was received this morning. I am enclosing my check for $6.00 which seems to be my indebtedness to the Southern Regional Council. I am sorry that I failed to keep my milk this better than I have done, but now that we have "cleared the decks", I would appreciate it if you would take my name off your lists. It is just one more thing that

I feel able to keep my unofficial present. I am sorry.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Roberta Aldrich

Encl.

Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

June 11, 1951

Norma:

It will be well if our payment to the South Carolina State Division can be received before this meeting.

GSM

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

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ORANGEBURG

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Mr. Dabbs is asking all members of the Executive Board to meet in Columbia on Thursday, June 21, 10:00 A.M. at the First Baptist Church.

Friends with first-hand information and experience will bring us up to date on recent interesting developments in our State. There will be discussion.

Please make special effort to come.

Cordially yours,

Rebecca Reid

Rebecca Reid, Secretary

29 E. Calhoun St.
Sumter, S.C.
June 7, 1951.

For your information. We are always glad when you can come, but this is not important enough, I think.

RR

Mr Hinton is to lead this meeting

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JUN 11 1951
SOUTHERN
Southern Regional Council

June 12, 1951

Miss Adele J. Minahan
1930 College Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Miss Minahan:

The enclosed check represents one-half of the dues returned to the South Carolina Division as follows:

April 1951	$38.50	
May 1951	16.00	
	$54.50	
	- 1.00	- less overpayment
	$53.50	on March check

Miss Roberta Aldrich, 1408 Gervais Street, Columbia resigned her membership in April; however, she will continue to receive Council publications until December 1951 when her membership expires.

All our good wishes for a successful Executive Board meeting.

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:jwb
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cc: Mr. Dabbs, Chmn.
Miss Reid, Sec.
Miss Grey, Memb. Sec.

Return to NH

April 20, 1951

Miss Roberta Aldrich
1408 Gervais Street
Columbia 1, South Carolina

Dear Miss Aldrich:

We are very grateful for your recent check for six dollars sent in response to Dr. Mitchell's letter. This pays your dues through December of this year.

We regret that you wish to resign from the Council. Since your membership does not expire until December, we would like to continue sending you our literature.

Please let us know if this is satisfactory. Many thanks for your letter. Your interest in writing us is greatly appreciated.

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Statement of Dues Return

April 1951

NAME AND ADDRESS	DUES
Mr. & Mrs. Jules Bank 3010 Amherst Ave., Columbia	$2.00
Edwin G. Seibels 1332 Pickens St., Columbia	1.50
Azilee Livingston Box 239, Clinton	1.50
Dorothy Penland 1211 College St., Columbia 1	3.00*
Mr. & Mrs. A. R. Suritz 532 Forest Lane, Rock Hill, S.C.	2.00
Rev. Albert D. Betts Pinopolis	1.50
Rt. Rev. John J. Gravatt Trinity Parish House, Columbia	3.00
Mrs. Alice W. Anderson 311 Cleveland Ave., Anderson	1.50
J.P. Frost 21 Broad St., Charleston 3	1.50
Rev. & Mrs. J. H. Lewis 1134 Flint St. Ext., Rock Hill	2.00
Mrs. Roberta Aldrich 1408 Gervais St., Columbia	3.00
Mrs. Janet Mangum Route 2, Spartanburg	1.50
Mrs. Edna B. (K. C.) Wilson Una	1.50
Wyatt R. Laney 459 S. Trade St., Rock Hill	1.50
Rev. H. D. Brown 311 E. Main St., Rock Hill	1.50
Prince Riley 425 S. Trade St., Rock Hill	3.00

South Carolina Division - April 1951

NAME AND ADDRESS	DUES
Pierce Geo. (no address), Rock Hill	$1.50
John E. Moore Mt. Pleasant	2.50
Bishop Joseph B. Kearney, D.D. P.O. Box 605, Summerville	3.00
	$[illegible].50

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Alex Reid
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Alex Gray

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SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Statement of Dues Return

MAY 1951

NAME AND ADDRESS	DUES
Kathryn E. Lewis 4005 Devereaux Rd., Columbia	$1.50
J. M. Hinton 1222 Heidt St., Columbia	3.00
~~Dorothy Jones~~ ~~Winthrop College, Rock Hill~~ Mr. D. H. Smiley P.O. Box 1244, Greenville	1.50
Mrs. St. Julian R. (Margaretta P.) Childs 73 King Street, Charleston	1.50
Mr. J. Wilson Cutliff State College, Orangeburg	1.50
Dorothy Richey Furman University, Greenville	1.50
Richard Foster P.O. Box 232, Greenville	2.50 (new Memb.)
Rev. G. W. Beard R.F.D. 2, Box 52, Rock Hill	1.50
Dr. B. A. Everett 1329 Pine St., Columbia	1.50
	$16.00

cc: Mr. Dabbs
Miss Reid
Miss Minahan
Miss Grey

June 13, 1951

Mrs. Julia A. Starkes
Benedict College
Columbia 13, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Starkes:

We deeply regret your resignation from the Southern Regional Council.

We will continue to hope that your health improves and you can rejoin our membership in the future.

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Buff
Secretary-Treasurer

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B.J. note

Mrs. J. J. Starks
BENEDICT COLLEGE
Columbia 13, S. C.

June 8, 1951

The Southern Regional Council

I thank you for your letter of recent date. I appreciate very much the work of the Council but I do not feel able to keep up the dues any longer. Am not well

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Julia A. Starks

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Southern Regional Council

July 2, 1951

Mr. J. M. Dabbs,
Chairman, South Carolina Division of SPC
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 26, 1951 and the enclosed checks totaling fifty-five dollars. I have sent letters of acknowledgement and thanks to both Mrs. Holley and Mrs. Sagaarman.

We certainly appreciate your continued loyalty and support.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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July 2, 1951

Mrs. Harriett S. Holley
Aiken, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Holley:

The Council is most grateful for your generous contribution of twenty dollars which Mr. Dabbs, Chairman of the South Carolina Division has sent on to us. We understand that of this amount ten dollars is for a sustaining membership and ten dollars is a contribution to the work of the Council.

The Council appreciates the continuing support which you and many of the South Carolina members are giving us.

Our best wishes to you.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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July 2, 1951

Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
Hdqt. Federation of Women's Clubs
Laurel Street,
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

Thank you very much indeed for your generous contribution to the Southern Regional Council which Mr. Dabbs, Chairman of the South Carolina Division has sent on to us. The twenty dollars which you have designated as going to the South Carolina Division will be appreciated by them, as is your fifteen dollars contribution to the Council's expenses.

We are always encouraged by the friendship and support of our South Carolina members.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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Mayesville, S. C.
June 26, 1959

Mrs. Norma Huff, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Huff:

I am enclosing checks for the Southern Regional Council. They are to cover the following items:

Mrs. Harriet S. Holley, Aiken, S.C.	Sustaining Mbshp.	$10.00
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	Contribution	10.00
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman, Hdqts. Fed. of Women's Clubs, Laurel St., Columbia,	Contribution to SRC	15.00
Ditto,	Contribution to S. C. Division	20.00
	Total	55.00

This is the total of the two checks enclosed. Please make acknowledgement to the donors. Thanks.

L.S.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. M. Dabbs

J. M. Dabbs, Chairman,
S.C.Div., Src, Inc.

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July 25, 1951

Mrs. Harriet Keyserling
Box 682
Beaufort, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Keyserling:

We are pleased to welcome you as a memb r of the Southern Regional Council. Your check and your re uest that you be placed on our mailing list for the Council's publications came to us from Mr. Wright today. We are sending you, under separate cover, our "New Member Packet" which contains a public tions list. If there are any other of our pamphlets you would like, please send us a card and we will be glad to send them to you.

As you may know, membership in the Council also means that you have membership in the South Carolina Division. Mr. J. M. Dabbs, Mayesville, is their chairman and Mrs. Alice N. Spearman, Columbia, is their secretary.

The continuing life of the Council depends largely upon the loyalty and support of its members. We are happy to include you among our number.

Very sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Mr. Wright,
(not shown)

Encl. Receipt.
3.00 Membership
2.00 Cont -

24th
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Mrs. Harriet Keyserling
Box 682
Beaufort, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Keyserling:

We were both sorry that your change in plans resulted in your not dropping in on us again at this spot, but are glad that we did manage to have a brief visit from you and the Doctor. If you should be again in western North Carolina, please be sure to come by this way.

Many thanks for your contribution to Southern Regional Council, which has been duly forwarded to the Atlanta office with the request that you be placed on the mailing list for its publications.

My best regards to the Siceloffs.

Yours sincerely,

M. A. Wright

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M. A. Wright

bc - Dr. George S. Mitchell

Dear George: Please acknowledge receipt direct to Mrs. Keyserling. Thanks.

MAW

$5.00
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B.J. - Pull all stand board NH

SRC - Members Resignations

Greenville. 7-5-1

Dear Sir or Madam I do not know which. I Rced this from Some Sam Rugland Council I do not know any thing about the Council I do not recall any Council I join or obligated my self to be a member I had a friend he was in the Pulman Corps he died some years a go she has been after me to offer a Schollarship in something she is getting up My wife died two a go last March I told her at first. Lost my eye I had them opperated on but there is not much satisfaction I told her I have arthuritus I could not get in or out the House alone but any time I could a ford it I would make her a small donation if this is her game wants Rase this over me I will see that she will not get any thing. so I have not promised her only a donation when I could spare it - and she was not to be the judge when that time come

If I can find some one trying Run me into something I will investigate

I am as ever J.P. Chapell
200 Dunbar St.
Greenville, So Ca.

Your SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL membership is renewable this month. We need and appreciate your continued support of the job the Council does.

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Council publications will continue to reach you without delay if you can send your dues promptly. Please notify us of any change of address.

We thank you for your cooperation.

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

If your dues have just recently been sent, please disregard this notice.

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

I enclose dues for the current year as follows:

Single membership $ 3.00 _____

Husband-wife membership 4.00 _____

Sustaining membership 10.00 _____

Contribution _____
(Contributions to the Southern Regional Council are tax exempt)

Name _____
Please Print

Address _____

Please tear off this stub and enclose with your remittance.

September 11, 1951

Miss Adele J. Minahan
1930 College Street,
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Miss Minahan:

The enclosed check represents one-half of the dues from South Carolina during June, July and August as well as two contributions made to the South Carolina Division through the Council. Attached is the list of members sending in payments.

Dues and contributions are as follows:

June	$36.50
July	6.00
August	24.00
	$ 66.50

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Mr. Dabbs
Miss Reid

DUES FROM SOUTH CAROLINA MEMBERS DURING JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST, 1951

June

Miss Caroline L. Gillespie Rt. 3, Hartsville	3.00
J. Kenneth Morris 2827 Wheat St., Columbia	1.50
Mr. & Mrs. Hyman Rubin 306 Saluda, Columbia	3.00
Mr. Columbus Andrews Furman Univ. Greenville	1.50
Mr. J. E. Williams 327 N. Dean St., Spartanburg	1.50
Rev. H. C. Young 122 Chasander St., Spartanburg	1.50
Miss Dorothy Sears 722 Crest St., Rock Hill	1.50
Mrs. Harriett S. Holly Aiken	3.00
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman Federation of Women's Club Columbia	20.00

July

Mr. Allen D. Edwards Winthrop College, Rock Hill	1.50
Mrs. Broadus Thompson Box 480, Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Harriet Keyserling Box 682, Beaufort	1.50
Mrs. Claire Brown 436 Academy St., Laurens	1.50

August

Mr. E. C. Wall Conway	1.50
Mr. Robert F. Morrison 179 Coming St., Charleston	3.00
Mr. L. W. Green Box 11, Lake City	1.50
Mrs. Alice Spearman Newberry, S. C.	15.00

August cont'd

Miss Elizabeth H. Davidson Coker College Hartsville	$3.00

September 18, 1951

Mrs. E. H. Spearman
1511 Laurel Street,
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

I have your card asking about the date of the SRC Annual Meeting. I am sorry that I cannot give you the exact date as yet. Because of a decision on a grant which a Foundation may make to the Council and which will probably not be made until the late fall, there is a strong possibility that the Annual Meeting will be postponed from the usual November date to sometime in early December. The Executive Committee is to decide on this within the next few weeks and I will send you the date as soon as it is certain.

The Board meeting is usually held the day before the Annual Meeting with a very short meeting again following the meeting and on the same day.

Thank you for your continued interest in and support of the work of the Council.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc.

Please let me know the dates of the annual membership meeting of the SRC. Will the Board meet the day before or the day after.

Apprecaitively yours,

(Mrs. E. H.) Alice N. Spearman
1511 Laurel St.
Columbia, S. C.

September 21, 1951

Miss Adele J. Minahan
1930 College Street,
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Miss Minahan:

Thank you very much for your letter of September 18th and for sending the membership dues for Mr. Hampton M. Jarrell. We are sending him a receipt and our New Member Packet to-day.

I shall look forward to meeting you - perhaps you can come down for the annual meeting. Word about the date for this meeting should be coming to you very soon.

We all appreci te your loyal support very much.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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September 18, 1951

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Mrs.Katherine Stoney
Acting Secretary -Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue , N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs.Stoney:

Thank you for dues and contributions for the months of June, July and August - amounting to 66.50 .

We are enclosing a check for Membership Dues form :
Mr. Hampton M.Jarrell
939 Park Ave Ext
Rock Hill, South Carolina $ 3.00 KS

Hope to have the pleasure of meeting you some time soon.

Cordially yours,

Adele J. Minahan

Adele J.Minahan
Treasurer
S.C.Division - Southern Regional Council

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November 7, 1951

Miss Adele Minahan
1930 College Street,
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Miss Minahan:

Attached is our check for twelve dollars ($12.00) representing one-half of the dues received from South Carolina members during October. Attached also is a list of those members sending in dues. No dues were received from South Carolina during September.

I do hope that you and a number of the South Carolina members can come to the Annual Membership meeting on December 12th.

Our best wishes for a good meeting in Columbia and for the work of the Division.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Mr. Dabbs

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION MEMBERSHIPS RECEIVED DURING OCTOBER, 1951

Mr. John H. Inman, Jr. Box 65 Laurens,	$ 1.50
Miss Leila G. Johnson Murrells Inlet	1.50
Miss Audra Brazelton Winthrop College, Rock Hill	3.00
Dr. & Mrs. George Bellingrath Presbyterian College, Clinton	3.00
Mrs. W. A. Davis 7 New Town Lane, Charleston	1.50
Mr. Harold Cole 1301 Hampton Street, Columbia	1.50
	$ 12.00

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November 30, 1951

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Miss Katherine Stoney
Acting Secretary- Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Stoney:

Thank you for the October check for our South Carolina's membership dues.

At the Annual Meeting we collected dues totalling over eigthy dollars . I have given these dues to our newly elcted Treasurer , Miss Rebecca Reid, 29 E. Calhoun Street, Sumter, South Carolina.

I have enjoyed being associated with the Council and I wish for each member continued success and happiness in the feeling of a job well accomplished.

Faithfully yours,

Adele Johnston Minahan

January 8, 1952

Miss Josephine Pinckney
36 Chalmers Street,
Charleston, South Carolina

Dear Miss Pinckney:

I want to express to you the sincere appreciation of the Council for your generous gift sent to us recently through Mr. Dabbs. As you probably know, the Council is supported entirely by voluntary contributions. The good people of our South Carolina Division have been most loyal in their support and we are grateful to them.

If at any time you would like information or publications from the Council, we will be happy to send it.

Our best wishes to you for a good year in 1952.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Please acknowledge:

Miss Josephine Pinckney
36 Chalmers St.
Charleston 1, S. C.

$50.00

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Southern Regional Council

January 8, 1952

Mrs. D. R. Coker
Hartsville, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Coker:

It was most kind of you to send the Council the generous gift of one hundred dollars which came to us yesterday through the treasurer of the South Carolina Division. The expense of the annual membership meeting in December and the fact that income during December and January is usually not great, had put us somewhat behind and your check will help us catch up. Thank you very much.

We are all delighted that Mr. Wright is our new president and are looking forward to working with him. And we appreciate the loyalty of the South Carolina Division.

Best wishes to you and yours for the coming year.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Check sent by Mrs. D.R.Coker, with no designation of use. Mr. Dabbs authorizes transmitting it to ths Southern Reginnal Council.

Please find check enclosed.

To Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave. N.E.
Atlanta, 3, Ga.

Rebecca Reid

Rebecca Reid, Treas.
S.C.Division of Southern
Regional Council

29 E.Calhoun
Sumter, S.C.
January 5, 1951

$100.00

K.S.

January 8, 1952

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 East Calhoun Street,
Sumter, South Carolina

Dear Miss Reid:

Thank you very much for sending in the check for $86.00 covering membership dues and contributions from twenty-six members of the South Carolina Division and also for sending on the $100. contribution from Mrs. D. R. Coker. Receipts are being sent to each of those members paying dues. I am also acknowledging the gift of Mrs. Coker.

These two checks have certainly been a help toward meeting our obligations this month. The members and friends of the South Carolina Division have helped us greatly and we do appreciate it.

Our best wishes to you for the coming year.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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S.C.Division of Southern Regional Council
Annual Meeting Nov.8,1951

Contributions:

	Mem.	S.C. Contrib.
Allison Mrs. J.Richard--1117 Barnwell St.,Columbia	$3.00	
Barnwell Mrs. Elizabeth R. Rt.3, Sumter,S.C.	3.00	
Betts. Rev. Albert D. , Pinopolis,S.C.	3.00	
Blanton Mr.& Mrs. J.B.,Rt. 1,Box 99,Cordova,S.C.	4.00	
Burroughs Mrs. Edward B., 62 Hanover St.Charleston,S.C.	3.00	
Cardwell Mrs. Nancy E., 11 Earlewood Circle,Columbia	3.00	
Childs Mrs. Margarette P., 73 King St. Charleston	3.00	
Gamble W.L. 1730 Campbell St. Camden,S.C.	3.00	
Glover Mrs. Maggie V., 556 S.Main St.,Sumter,S.C.	3.00	
Gregg Rev. W.R. & Mrs., P.O.Box 17,Camden,S.C.	4.00	
Hallman Dr. & Mrs. L.H., 2639½ Gervais, St., Columbia	4.00	$10.00
Holland Helene, 1115 Barnwell St. Columbia	3.00	
Howard Rev. A.R., Box 847, Sumter,S.C.	3.00	
Jones Mrs. Robert L., 809 Henderson St.,Columbia	3.00	
McDonald Mrs. D.McL., 1208 Bull St., Columbia	3.00	
Mercer William S., P.O.Box 264, Sumter, S.C.	3.00	
Monteith Mrs. R.E., Route 1, Box 114,Columbia	3.00	
Montgomery Eugene, 2012 Tayler St. Columbia	3.00	
Helms Rev. & Mrs. F. Clyde, 921 Woodrow St. Columbia	4.00	
Nelson Mr. & Mrs. Gurney E. Benedict College Columbia	4.00	
Nelson W.J., Route 1,Box 52, Mayesville, S.C.	3.00	
Palmer Mrs. Ellie D. , 304 S.Main St. Sumter,S.C.	3.00	
Pelot Joseph, 183 Pulaski St. Columbia,	3.00	
Reynolds, Julia R. (Miss) 302 W.Calhoun St.,Sumter	3.00	
Rutherford Mrs. J.O., 1429 Park St.Columbia	3.00	
Stackhouse Mrs. T.B., 1511 Laurel St.Columbia	3.00	$2.00
	83.00	3.00

Total----------$86.00

K.S.

XXXXX Sorry this was delayed because of change of Treasurers.

Please let me know if this statement os all right.

Enclosed find check for $86.00 for due processing.

Rebecca Reid, Treasurer.

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January 21, 1952

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 E. Calhoun Street,
Sumter, South Carolina

Dear Miss Reid:

Thank you for your letter of January 16th.

You are right in thinking that half of the members dues are returned to the State Divisions. On contributions, unless part of the amount is designated for the State Division, the total is retained by the Council.

As you know, I, too, am fairly new in the Council and have been learning my job so am most aware of your problems. I'll be glad to give you any help I can and hope you will call on me.

We appreciate very much the good work of our South Carolina members.

Our best wishes to you.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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29 E.Calhoun St.
Sumter,S.C.
January 16,1951

Dear Miss Stoney:

Thank you for your letter acknowledging receipt of $100.00 and $46.00 from S.C.Division.

I am trying to learn the ropes in this new, to me, office of the Council, and shall ask you to be patient as you help me.

Am I correct in the idea that you keep the contribution of Mrs. Coker in toto; That the half of the membership dues are returned to the State? Shall I work on that basis?

I am so sorry I could not attend the meeting in December, and I am hoping that the plans will not be thwarted. How much there is to be done in this turbulent area of human relations!

Cordially yours,

Rebecca Reid

Rebecca Reid, Treasurer
S.C.Division-

January 21, 1952

Mrs. Annie M. Cloud
324 Allen Street,
Rock Hill, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Cloud:

Thank you very much for sending in the six dollars covering membership fees for Rev. B. J. Anderson and Mr. W. J. Roddey, Jr. of Rock Hill. We have sent receipts directly to them and will send them our New Member packet and our publication New South as it comes out.

We certainly appreciate the good work that the members of the South Carolina Division are doing.

Our best wishes to you.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

324 Allen Street,

Rock Hill, S.C.

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Southern Regional Council Inc.

63 Auburn Avenue N.E. Atlanta Ga.

Sirs, Please find enclosed a money order for six dollars ($6.00) joining fees for Rev. B.J Anderson 719 Crawford Rd.Rock Hill S.C. and Mr. W.J. Roddey Jr. 532 Aiken Avenue Rock Hill S.C. in the Rock Hill Chapter of the Southern Regional Council.

Respectfully yours,

(Mrs.) A.M. Cloud Sec.

Same letter to:

Mr. Joseph E. Jenkins
Rev. Paul Kinports
Father Louis Melfi - Naval Base
Mrs. Henry Gaud
Miss Emily Tenny
Rev. de Wolf Perry
Mr. Thos. Waring

all of Charleston

Mrs. Laurence Howard - Beaufort

January 23, 1952

Mr. F. F. Bellinger
729 King Street,
Charleston, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Bellinger:

Mrs. St. Julien Childs of Charleston has asked us to send you some information about the Southern Regional Council.

Here are a pamphlet which will tell you about the Council's organization, make-up, and work and a copy of the Statement of Policy and Aim as adopted by the recent annual membership meeting of the Council.

If you find you are interested, we would be very happy to have you as a member of the Council; an application for membership form is included in the pamphlet.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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January 22, 1952

Mr. Bradley Heald
c/o Alester Furman & Co.
Greenville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Heald:

Mrs. St. Julien Childs of Charleston has asked that I send you information about the Southern Regional Council.

The enclosed descriptive pamphlet will tell you of the Council's organization and work. Enclosed also is a copy of the most recent issue of our publication, New South .

In the pamphlet you will find an application for membership blank. We would happy to have your become a member of the Council if you find you are interested.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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January 21, 1952

Mrs. St. Julien Childs
73 King Street,
Charleston, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Childs:

Thank you very much for your letter of January 16. I am sending the December New South , other information about the Council, and an invitation to join to the people named in your letter. We will hope that at least some of them will be interested in joining us.

I note that you suggest sending the December New South to Mr. Bradley Heald and the policy statement "Toward the South of the Future" to the others. This latter statment has been printed in leaflet form and I will send these people this leaflet.

Thank you for your continued interest in the Council. We appreciate your good words and your loyalty.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

Mrs. St. Julien Childs
73 King Street
Charleston 4, S. C.

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Dear Miss Storey,

Could you send a copy of the December New South and an invitation to join to Mr. Bradley Heald, c/o Alester Furman & Co., Greenville, S.C.? I think he's a good prospect.

Here are some Charleston names that if you don't mind taking more of a chance

on, I think it would do them good to see that ~~Copy~~ Statement "Toward the South of the Future", and listen an invitation might lead them to join.

Mr. Thomas Waring,
c/o Wacus & Connor, Charleston.

✓ Mr. F.F. Bellinger, 729 King St. "

✓ Mr. Joseph E. Jenkins 18 Broad St. "

✓ Rev. Paul Kinports 403½ King St. "

✓ Father ~~Louis~~ Melfi, St. John's Rectory, Naval Base, S.C.

✓ Mrs. Lawrence Howard, Beaufort, S.C.

✓ Mrs. Henry Gaud. 32 Legare St. Charleston.

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Mrs. St. Julien Childs
73 King Street
Charleston 4, S. C.

Miss Emily Tierney 89 King St. Charleston
Mr. Lionel Legge 13 Broad St. "
Rev. de Wolf Perry 76 Meeting St. Charleston

I think Mr. Ashmore's statement is very clear & persuasive, and, if anything could, would bring in the above more or less key, more or less well-meaning people.

Yours truly,

Marguerite Childs

January 24, 1952

Mrs. Miriam P. Finlay
1717 Green Street,
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Finlay:

Attached is the list of SRC members in South Carolina for which you asked in your letter of January 21st. As new members are added, I will try to keep a list of them and send it to you at intervals.

Could you please send us a list of the officers of the South Carolina Division with their correct addresses? Also any information you may have about activities in the Division.

If at any future time I can be of service, please call on me. Our best wishes to you and the other members of the S. C. Division.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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1717 Green Street
Columbia, South Carolina
January 21, 1952

Secretary
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

As corresponding secretary of the South Carolina Division of the Southern Regional Council, I would appreciate your sending me a list of the members from this state as the basis for my future mailing list.

Thank you for these names and ~~other~~ any others which you feel might be pertinent.

Sincerely yours,
Marian P. Finlay
Corresponding Secretary
South Carolina Division

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1717 Green Street
Columbia, S. C.
January 29, 1952

Miss Katherine Stoney
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 652, 65 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Stoney:

Thank you for your membership list. I am enclosing a list of the officers of the South Carolina Division, as you requested.

Our project at the moment is sending out copies of the speech made by Mr. Marion Wright at the 1951 meeting of the SGRC. No doubt you have read it but you might like one for your files. We are sending out 3,000 of them to members and prospective members.

Sincerely yours,

Marian P. Finlay

January 30, 1952

Rev. M. C. Allen
Clemson, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Allen:

Mr. J. M. Dabbs, of Mayesville, South Carolina, has asked that we send you a membership form and information about the Southern Regional Council.

Enclosed you will find a pamphlet describing the work of the Council and its organization as well as a copy of the Statement of Policy and Aims as adopted at the recent annual membership meeting of the Council.

We will be happy to welcome you as a member of the Council. If you would like any fubther information or if we can be of service to you, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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January 30, 1952

Rev. W. T. Moore
Route 3, Box 232
Laurens, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Moore:

Mr. J. M. Dabbs, of Mayesville, South Carolina, has asked that we send you some information about the Southern Regional Council.

Enclosed are a pamphlet describing the organization and work of the Council and a copy of the Statement of Policy and Aims as adopted at the recent annual membership meeting of the Council.

We would be happy to welcome you as a member of the Council. Membership in the Council also includes membership in the South Carolina Division, of which Mr. Dabbs is chairman.

You will find an application for membership form near the back of the pamphlet. We hope you will want to join us.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Miss Katherine Stoeny, Secretary Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Stoney:

Please enter on your membership roll, and bill for membership dues the Rev. M. C. Allen, Clemson, South Carolina.

Please send information about the council, with perhaps a sample copy of NEW SOUTH, to the Rev. W. T. Moore, Route 3, Box 232, Lauren, S. C.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely,

J. M. Dabbs

J. M. Dabbs.

March 5, 1952

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 East Calhoun Street,
Sumter, South Carolina

Dear Miss Reid:

Attached is our check for $47.50 representing one-half of the dues sent in by South Carolina members of SRC during November and December, 1951. Attached also is a list of those members.

I am hopeful that we can send you the payment and lists for January and February, 1952 within a week or so. Thank you for your patience and for your cooperation.

I do hope that all goes well with the South Carolina Division. If at any time I can be of help or furnish information about the members, please call on me.

Our best wishes to you.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Record of dues received

November, 1951

Mr. Max Citron 1009 Gervais St., Columbia	1.50
Rev. Jack Cole St. Paul's Church, Pendleton	1.50

DECEMBER, 1951

Miss Laura Ebaugh Furman Univ., Greenville	1.50
Mrs. R. E. Monteith Rt. 1, Box 114, Columbia	1.50
C. D. Ingram 2503 Millwood Ave., Columbia	1.50
Dr. J. A. Bacote Benedict College, Columbia	1.50
Pres. S. R. Higgins Allen Univ., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. A. W. Simkins 2025 Marion St., Columbia	3.00
Mrs. I. P. Stanback 2300 Haskell St. Columbia	1.50
Mr. & Mrs. W. C. Johnson 1401 Park St. Columbia	3.00
Dr. L. H. Hallman 2326 Stark St., Columbia	1.50
Mr. & Mrs. A. T. Butler 2411 Laurel St., Columbia	3.00
Mr. R. H. Paul 2324 Washington St., Columbia	1.50
Dr. R. W. Mance 1429 Pine St., Columbia	1.50
Dr. D. K. Jenkins 1107½ Washington St., Columbia	1.00
Dt. J. G. Stuart 2030 Taylor St., Columbia	1.50
Mr. W. H. Harvey 1301 Heidt St., Columbia	1.50
Bishop F. M. Reid Allen Univ., Columbia	3.00
Mr. Walker Solomon 1709 Taylor Street, Columbia	1.50

Mr. John Henry Washington 2230 Reid St., Columbia	3.00
Dr. H. H. Cooper 1125½ Washington St., Columbia	1.00
Dr. H. D. Monteith 711 Main St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. J. B. Stackhouse 1511 Laurel St., Columbia	1.50
Mr. J. M. Dabbs, Mayesville	3.00
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lindsay 5 Overbrook, Greenville	3.50
	$ 47.50

March 5, 1952

Mr. J. M. Dabbs
Chairman, South Carolina Division, SRC
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

This is to let you know that today I am sending to Miss Rebecca Reid, Treasurer of the S. C. Division, our check for $47.50 covering one-half of dues received from S. C. members during November and December, 1951; also a list of the 25 members who sent in dues during that time.

The 100 copies of "Race and Law Enforcement" went to Miss Reid on February 26th. We appreciate the help of the South Carolina Division in getting these to the right people.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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March 14, 1952

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 E. Calhoun Street,
Sumter, South Carolina

Dear Miss Reid:

Thank you for your letter of March 9 and the enclosed check for $15.50 to cover the cost of copies of RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT sent to the South Carolina Division. I am sure that you will use them profitably.

Almost all of the state divisions have gotten copies of the pamphlet for distribution and a great many other groups as well. It certainly should be spread over the South.

So far we have heard nothing from the Ford Foundation and so are going on the theory that "no news is good news". At least we have not yet been turned down.

Thank you for your faithful service to SRC and the South Carolina Division. Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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29 E.Calhoun St.
Sumter,S.C.
March 9,1952

Dear Miss Stoney:

I seem to be out of Official statinery- so pardon this. Thank you for check which has been deposited to the S.C.Division of SRC. I am enclosing check for $15.50 to cover bill for "Race and Law Enforcement". I am asking several old relaibles in the State to help us with a mailing list for as many counties as possible, for we do want to send them to the best persons for contacts with law encorcement officers. Therefore, we are a little delayed, but we hope to gain in effectiveness. I shall be sending my own membership dues soon. Didn't realize I was so far behind.

With best wishes for you and the cause you serve,

R. R.
Rebecca Reid.

Any prospects from Ford Foundation?

April 18, 1952

Miss Rebecca Reid
Treasurer, S. C. Division, SRC
29 E. Calhoun Street,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

Attached is the Council's check for fifty four dollars ($54.00) representing one half of dues received from SRC members in South Carolina during January 1952. Attached also is a list of those members sending in dues.

We appreciate the good work of the South Carolina Division and trust that all goes well with you.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Mr. J. M. Dabbs

SOUTH CAROLINA

January, 1952

Miss Josephine Pickney 36 Chalmers St., Charleston	1.50
Mrs. J. Richard Allison 1117 Barnwell St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Elizabeth Branwell Route 3, Sumter	1.50
Rev. Albert D. Betts Pinopolis	1.50
Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Blanton Rt. 1, Box 99, Cordova	2.00
Mrs. Edward B. Burroughs 62 Hanover St., Charleston	1.50
Mrs. Nancy Cardwell 11 Earlwood Circle, Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Margaret P. Childs 73 King Street., Charleston	1.50
Mr. W. L. Gamble 1730 Campbell St., Camden	1.50
Mrs. Maggie Glover 556 S. Main St., Sumter	1.50
Rev. & Mrs. W. R. Gregg P.O. Box 17, Camden	2.00
Dr. &. Mrs. L. H. Hallman 2639½ Gervais St., Columbia	2.00
Miss Helene Holland 1115 Barnwell St., Columbia	1.50
Rev. A. R. Howard Box 847, Sumter	1.50
Mrs. Robert L. Jones 809 Henderson St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. D. McDonald 1208 Bull St., Columbia	1.50

Mr. William S. Mercer Box 264, Sumter	1.50
Rev. Thomas Egan St. Gerards Rectory, Aiken	3.00
Judge & Mrs. J. W. Waring 61 Meeting St., Charleston	2.00
Mrs. R. E. Monteith Rt. 1. Box 114, Columbia	1.50
Mr. Eugene Montgomery 2012 Taylor St., Columbia	1.50
Rev, & Mrs. Clyde Helms 921 Woodrow St., Columbia	2.00
Mr. & Mrs. Gurney Nelson Benedict College, Columbia	2.00
Mr. W. J. Nelson Rt. 1, Box 52, Mayesville	1.50
Mrs. Ellie D. Palmer 304 S. Main Street, Sumter	1.50
Mr. Joseph Pelot 183 Pulaski St., Columbia	1.50
Miss Julia Reynolds 302 W. Calhoun St., Sumter	1.50
Mrs. J. O. Rutherford 1429 Park St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. T. B. Stackhouse 1511 Laurel St., Columbia	1.50
Rev. B. J. Andersom 719 Crawford Rd., Rock Hill	1.50
Mr. W. J. Roddy, Jr. 532 Aiken Ave., Rock Hill	1.50
Mr. Edwin Seibels Columbia	1.50
Mr. John B. Culbertson Box 232, Greenville	1.50

April 23, 1952

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 East Calhoun Street,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

Attached is a list of SRC members in South Carolina who paid dues during February and March, 1952 and the Council's check for $41.00 which represents one-half of the dues paid.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Mr. J. M. Dabbs

SOUTH CAROLINA

February 1952

Rev. W. T. Moore Box 232, Laurens	$ 1.50
Rev. Walter Melfi St. John's Church, Box 216, Naval Base	1.50

March 1952

Mrs. Johnnie M Robinson 324 Allen St., Rock Hill	1.50
Mrs. Albert A. Springs Myrtle Beach	1.50
Mr. James M. Bynum Summerton	1.50
Mrs. Annie M. Cloud 324 Allen St., Rock Hill	1.50
Dr. B. A. Everett 1329 Pine St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. H. DL West, Sr. Bowman	1.50
Mrs. Helen B. Bourne 1116 Highside St., Greenwood	1.50
Mrs. R. T. Wilson Laurens	1.50
Mrs. A. Grady Whitmire 121 Croft St., Greenville	1.50
Mrs. L. E. High 3116 Gadsden St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. L. E. Gatlin 1329 Milligan St., Newberry	1.50
Miss Rubt Ott 3700 Heyward St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. J. Ashby Turner 1829 Senate St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. John A. McCormack 11 Bull Street, Charleston	1.50
Dr. W. F. Bultman 307 W. Bartlett St., Sumter	3.00
Mr. & Mrs. Albert Simons 34 S. Battery St., Charleston	2.00

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Mrs. J. P. Frost 21 Broad St., Charleston	1.50
Miss Susan Alston Georgetown	1.50
Miss Gabrielle Austin % Mrs. Harry Orr 10 Augusta Court, Greenville	3.00
Mr. James M. Doom 1410 Home Avenue, Hartsville	3.00
Mrs. Julian Hennig 811 Woodland Drive, Columbia	3.00
Mrs. Martin D. Young D3 - Wales Garden Apts., Columbia	1.50
Most Rev. John J. Russell, D.D. 114 Broad St., Charleston	1.50

May 12, 1952

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 E. Calhoun Street,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

Attached is our check for $16.50 which is the amount due to the S. C. Division for dues sent in by S. C. members of SRC during April.

Attached also is a list of those who paid.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Mr. J. M. Dabbs

SOUTH CAROLINA MEMBERS OF SRC WHO PAID DUES DURING APRIL 1952

Mrs. G. C. Brown Rt. 1, Box 265, John's Island	$ 1.50
Rev. Maurice Shean Box 895, Rock Hill	3.00
Rev. Jack Cole Pendleton	1.50
Rev. M. C. Allen Clemson College Baptist Church Clemson	1.50
Mr. James H. Goudlock Friendship Junior College Rock, Hill	1.50
Mr. J. Wilson Cutliff State A & M College, Box 365, Orangeburg	1.50
Miss Dorothy Jones Box 42, Winthrop College Rock Hill	1.50
Mr. Gadsden Shand 110 S. Saluda St., Columbia	3.00
Mr. Sanford Bradby Scholfield School, Aiken	1.50
	$ 16.50

June 24, 1952

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 East Calhoun Street,
Sumter, South Carolina

Dear Miss Reid:

Attached is the Council's check for $47.50 and a list of the South Carolina members of SRC who sent in dues during May, 1952. You will note that $35.00 of this amount is for dues and that $12.50 is a contribution to the S. C. Division from Mrs. Alice N. Spearman.

I hope things are going well in Sumter and that you have a good vacation this summer.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Mr. J. M. Dabbs

DUES RECEIVED FROM SOUTH CAROLINA MEMBERS OF SRC DURING MAY, 1952

Mr. Paul A. Simmons Box 387, State A. & M. Coll. Orangeburg	$ 1.50
Bishop Joseph E. Kearney Box 605, Summerville	3.00
Rev. H. Dockery Brown 311 E. Main St., Rock Hill	1.50
Miss Elizabeth White 421 N. Main St., Sumter	1.50
Mr. & Mrs. Maxie Gordon 2119 Washington St., Columbia	2.00
Mrs. Jules Bank 3010 Amherst Ave., Columbia	2.00
Miss Mary E. Frayser Box 41, Wintrhop Coll. Rock Hill	1.50
Miss Azilee Livingston Newberry	1.50
Mrs. B. DuVall Chambers 3517 Devereux Rd. Columbia	3.00
Rev. John T. Gravatt Trinity Parish House, Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Janet Mangum Rt. 2, Spartanburg	1.50
Mrs. Alice Anderson 311 Cleveland, Anderson	1.50
Mr. Richard Foster 201 W. Faris, Greenville	1.50
Mr. & Mrs. Hyman Rubin 306 Saluda Ave., Columbia	2.00
Dr. Dorothy Richey Furman Univ., Greenville	$ 1.50
Miss Rebecca Reid 29 E. Calhoun St., Sumter	3.00
Miss Armetta A. Nelson 2202 Gervais St., Columbia	1.50
Rev. H. R. Hawkins 543 Hampton, Rock Hill	1.50
Dr. & Mrs. J. J. Seabrook Claflin Univ. Orangeburg	2.00
Mrs, Alice N. Spearman 1511 Laurel St., Columbia	Contribution of $12.50

September 25, 1952

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 East Calhoun St.,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

Attached is the Council's bheck for thirty seven dollars ($37.00) which is one-half of the dues from the S. C. members of SRC which have come in during June, July and August. A list of these members is also included.

We are sorry to be so long in getting this to you.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Mr. J. M. Dabbs

DUES COLLECTED FROM SOUTH CAROLINA MEMBERS OF SRC DURING JUNE, JULY & AUGUST

Mr. L. M. Green Lake City	$ 1.50
Mr. J. C. Evan Box 1050, Clemson	1.50
Miss Elizabeth Davidson Coker College, Hartsville	3.00
Mr. Broadus Thompson Box 480, Columbia	1.50
Mrs. C. W. Riser 1224½ Washington St., Columbia	1.50
Mr. & Mrs. T. P Swinton 2507 Laurel St., Columbia	2.00
Miss Mary Helen Oetzel Box 488, Florence	1.50
Mrs. Herbert Keyserling Box 682, Beaufort	1.50
Mr. Allen D. Edwards Winthrop College, Rock Hill	1.50
Rev. Pierce E. Cook St. John's Court, Rock Hill	1.50
Mr. Columbus Andrews Furman, Greenville	1.50
Dr. D. M. Duckett Rock Hill	1.50
Miss Carolyn Gillespie Rt. 3, Hartsville	3.00
Rev. G. W. Beard Box 52, Rock Hill	1.50
Mr. John W. Moore 236 Bennett St., Mt. Pleasant	1.50
Mr. Prince Riley P.O. Box 383, Rock Hill	1.50
Mr. John A. Zeigler 9 College St., Charleston	3.00
Mr. Samuel Want Darlington	1.50
Mr. J. Kennety Morris 2827 Wheat St., Columbia	1.50
Mr. & Mrs. L. L. Foster 1704 Green St., Columbia	2.00
Mr. Gabe Buckman State College Orangeburg	1.50
	$ 37.00

December 1, 1952

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 East Calhoun Street,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

I apologize for being so late in acknowledging your check for $66.00 and the list of members who paid dues at the meeting of the S. C. Division. Thank you for sending them in so promptly. I have sent a receipt to each of these people.

I notice that there are several new members among the ones who paid, and one other person, Mrs. A. D. Kelly of Charleston has sent in membership since. That is a good record for the S. C. Division.

Thank you for all your good work. We will hope that you can be with us for the Annual Meeting in February.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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MEMBERSHIP DUES
ANNUAL MEETING NOV. 8, 1952... S.C.Division SRC.

Bowling Miss Margaret	2505 Richland St. Columbia	3.00
Burroughs Mrs. Sadie L.	62 Hanover St. Charleston	3.00
Gamble W.L.	1730 Campbell St. Camden	3.00
Gambrell Mrs. Lula J.	Benediet College Columbia	3.00
Gregg Mr. & Mrs. W.R.	734 Goff Ave. Orangeburg	4.00
Jones Mrs. Robert L.	809 Henderson St. Columbia	$3.00
Palmer Mrs. E.D.	304 South Main St. Sumter	3.00
Pelot Joseph	1831 Pulaski St. Columbia	3.00
Sanders M. A.	814 Market St. Camden	3.00
Young Rev. H.C.	122 Chasander St. Spartanburg	3.00
Finlay Miss Marian	1717 Green St. Columbia	4.00
		35.00

Brown Mrs. W.J.	2484 Senate St. Columbia	$3.00
Ellison Flester J.	600 Wilkes Rd. Columbia	3.00
Gratz Miss Lois	Y.W.C.A. Aiken	3.00
Hallman Dr. L.H.	2369½ Gervais St. Columbia	3.00
Nelson Miss Armetta A.	2202 Gervais St. Columbia	3.00
Nelson Mrs. G.E.	Benediet College Columbia	3.00
Redd Mrs. Albert	2360 Washington St. Columbia	3.00
Rubin Mrs. Myman	306 Saluda Ave. Columbia	3.00
Rutherford Jeanette O.	1429 Park St. Columbia	3.00
Wilson Rev. & Mrs. Sr.	2324 Senate St. Columbia	4.00
		$31.00
		35.00
		66.00

Membership-
Annual Meeting
S.C. Division SRC
Nov. 6, 1952

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Rebecca Reid
29 E. Calhoun
Sumter S.C.

February 11, 1953

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 E. Calhoun Street,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

Attached is the Council's check for $64.00 which is one-half of dues received from South Carolina members of SRC during the period September through December 1952. Attached also is a list of those members who sent in payments.

I'm sorry we are so late in getting this check to you. Thank you for all your good work for both the S. C. Division and SRC.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

ks
encl.
cc: Mr. J. M. Dabbs

SOUTH CAROLINA

September

Mr. John T. Bregger Clemson, S. C.	$ 1.50
Mr. Ray W. Rutledge Dept. Botany, Clemson College	1.50
Mrs. Josie Hazel 1114 Fairfield St., Aiken	1.50
	$ 4.50

October

Mrs. Walter A. Davis 7 New Town Lane, Charleston	1.50
Miss Audra Brazelton Winthrop College, Rock Hill	1.50
	$ 3.00

November

Mr. Harold Cole 1301 Hampton St., Columbia	1.50
Mr. J. M. Dabbs Mayesville, S. C.	3.00
Miss Sophie Dabbs Mayesville, S. C.	3.00
Mrs. A. DeWees Kelly 163 President St., Charleston	1.50
Miss Margaret Bowling 2505 Richland St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Sadie L. Burroughs 62 Hanover St., Charleston	1.50
Mr. W. L. Gamble 1730 Campbell St., Camden	1.50
Mrs. Lula J. Gambrell Benedict College, Columbia	1.50
Mr. & Mrs. W. R. Gregg 734 Goff Ave., Orangeburg	2.00
Mrs. Robert L. Jones 809 Henderson St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. E. D. Palmer 304 S. Main St., Sumter	1.50
Mr. Joseph Pelot 1831 Pulaski St., Columbia	1.50

SOUTH CAROLINA

November

Mr. M. A. Sanders 814 Market St., Camden	$ 1.50
Rev. H. C. Young 122 Chasander St., Spartanburg	1.50
Miss Marian Finlay 1717 Green St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. W. J. Brown 2484 Senate St., Columbia	1.50
Mr. F. J. Ellison 600 Wilkes Road, Columbia	1.50
Miss Lois Gratz YWCA-USO, Aiken	1.50
Dr. L. H. Hallman 2369½ Gervais St., Columbia	1.50
Miss Armetta Nelson 2202 Gervais St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. G. E. Nelson Benedict College, Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Albert Redd 2360 Washington St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Hyman Rubin 306 Saluda St., Columbia	1.50
Miss Jeanette O Rutherford 1429 Park St., Columbia	1.50
Rev. & Mrs. S. R. Wilson 2324 Senate St., Columbia	2.00
	$ 41.50

December

Mrs. Helen B. Bourne 116 Highside St., Greenwood	$ 1.50
Mrs. Ralph T. Wilson Laurens	1.50
Mrs. H. D. West, Sr. Bowman	1.50
Mrs. F. M. Roddey 147 Edisto Dr. Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Walter A. Davis 7 Newton Lane, The Crescent Chalreston	1.50
Mrs. Hoyt Bookhart Rt. 1, Orangeburg	1.50
Miss May Delle Barre 13 Manly St., Greenville	1.50
Miss Dena Bleckley 302 E. River St., Adnerson	1.50
Mr. & Mrs. C. C. Bellingrath Clinston, S. C.	3.00
	$ 15.00

March 27, 1953

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 East Calhoun St.,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

Attached is the Council's check for $24.00 which is one-half of the dues received from South Carolina members of SRC during January and February. Attached also is a list of those members who paid.

Best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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encl.
cc: Mr. J. M. Dabbs

SOUTH CAROLINA

January

Mrs. H. S. Shaw 240 Church St., Sumter	$ 1.50
Mrs. S. V. Moreland Clinton Jr. College Rock Hill	1.50
Mrs. T. B. Stackhouse 3315 Colin Kelly Drive Columbia	3.00
Mr. & Mrs. J. E. Hinton 1222 Heidt St., Columbia	2.00
Bishop F. M. Reid Allen University Columbia	1.50
Mr. R. W. McGirt Box 528 Rock Hill	1.50
Mr. A. R. Suritz 101 E. Main St Rock Hill	1.50
Rev. & Mrs. J. Gibbs 268 Hampton Ave., Spartanburg	2.00
	$ 14.50

February

Dr. H. D. Monteith 711 Main St., Columbia	1.50	Miss Julia R. Reynolds 302 W. Calhoun Sumter	$1.50
Mr. Phil Ogilvie 1329 Steed St. Rock Hill	1.50		
			$ 9.50
Mr. D. M. Chalmers 40 Mt. Vista Greenville	1.50		
Miss Gabrielle Austin 811 S. Main St. Greenville	1.50		
Mr. & Mrs. N. C. Johnson 2328 Hampton Columbia	2.00		

April 16, 1953

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 E. Calhoun St.,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

Attached is a list of the S. C. members of SRC who sent in dues payments during March. Also attached is our check for $9.50 to cover one-half of the amount paid.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Mr. J. M. Dabbs

SOUTH CAROLINA

March, 1953

Rev. & Mrs. H. P. Sharper Morris College, Sumter	$ 2.00
Most Rev. John J. Russell Bishops House, 114 Broad St., Charleston	1.50
Mr. John Bolt Culbertson Box 1325, Greenville	1.50
Mrs. A. A. Springs 3601 N. Ocean Blvd. Myrtle Beach	1.50
Mrs. A. M. Cloud 324 Allen St., Rock Hill	1.50
Rev. A. D. Betts Pinopolis	1.50
	$ 9.50

Same letter to
Mr. Williams
Dr Grant
Mrs Becker
Mr. Spears
Miss Walker
Mrs. King

June 4, 1953

Mrs. Marjorie Asbill
Negro Education Division
State Department of Education
Wade Hampton Office Bldg.
Columbia, S. C.

Dear Mrs. Asbill:

Because she believes that you will be interested in the aims and work of the Southern Regional Council, Mrs. Alice N. Spearman has sent us the fee and asked that we enroll you as a member of the Council for one year.

Membership in the Council means that you will join with other people in the South who are interested in and working for an equal opportunity for all people. You will receive a monthly bulletin, NEW SOUTH, which tells about what is happening in the Region and any other information which the Council sends out from time to time.

Membership in the Council also makes you a member of the South Carolina Division of which Mr. J. M. Dabbs of Mayesville is the chairman and Mrs. Spearman the secretary. You will get a notice of their next meeting.

I am enclosing with this letter a folder describing the organization and work of SRC and a copy of the latest issue of NEW SOUTH.

We welcome you to the Council. Do call on us for any information which you wish.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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May 26, 1953

Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
1511 Laurel Street,
Columbia, S. C.

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of May 22nd. I believe that we staff members enjoyed the Annual Meeting this year more than we ever have. Everybody seemed to be in good spirits and enthusiastic.

Dr. Mitchell was in the office for a short time on Monday and saw your letter. He asked me to tell you that he could send the article - that he thought he had an idea about what you wanted and that he would try to get it out to you by the end of this week. He will be back in the office tomorrow. Because his time was short I did not get him to sign any checks and so will have to send you the check for four dollars tomorrow. But I wanted to get this word to you now.

Thank you also for taking time to come to the Board meeting and Membership meeting and for paying your expenses - for that is really what you did.

Thank you also for the check for twenty five dollars and the names of members. None of the people you suggested are or bather were, members so I'm taking the first ones on the list. I am sending to each of them a letter, a copy of the recent issues of New South and other information about the Council.

Best wishes to you.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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1511 Laurel Street
Columbia, S.C.
May 22, 1953

Dear Staff,

Thank each and everyone of you for the excellent meetings, and the part you played before, during and after!

Enclosed you will find my expense account, which is only for the hotel bill, because we travelled together from S.C. with Mr. Dabbs. Also you will find a check for $25-- $21 of this amount I'd like usedfor membership fees for the following persons(if any of these are already members enter membership for someone else, or let me know and I shall do so):

4.00 Mrs. S-

(W) Mrs. Marjorie Asbill, Negro Education Division, S.C. State Dept. of Education, Wade Hampton Office Building, Columbia, S.C.

(N) Mr. Ralph Williams, Undertaker, Newberry, S.C.

(N) Dr. J.E. Grant, M.D., Newberry, S.C.

(W) Mrs. W.S. Suber, Whitmire, S.C.

(W) Mr. Wright Spears, president Columbia College, Columbia, S.C.

(W) Miss Estellene Walker, director S.C. State Library Board, 1001 Main, Columbia, S.C.

(W) Mrs. George Savage King, 1701 Belmont, Columbia, S.C.

(W) Mrs. Vernon Carlton, Florist, Newberry, S.C.(Substitute her if any of the above are already members.) Mrs H. L. Jones Dist. Soc. Service Chm meth. ch. 119 So McQueen Florence, S.C. another possible substitute.

ATTENTION DR. MITCHELL:

Is it going to be possible for you to let me have the article and map for our June issue? New president and officers are slowly warming to their jobs, but looks as tho we'd need material by 29th or 30th? Will that be possible for you? I hope so, but in any case, let me hear if possible because I shall need to crystalize plans. Many, many thanks-- know this is a big order.

Sincerely yours, Alice N. Spearman

June 15, 1953

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 E. Calhoun St.,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

I do agree that it is <u>much</u> more fun to write to someone whom you have met in the flesh. But I do hope that some day we can reaaly have a visit and get to know each other better.

Thank you for sending the twenty dollar check from Mr. Seibels. I have written to him and sent our formal acknowledgement.

SRC is thriving although the staff are beginning to go away for summer activities. Do come and see us whenever you can.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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June 15, 1953

Mr. Edwin Seibels
1332 Pickens Street,
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Seibels:

Thank you very much indeed for the twenty dollar contribution which you sent to us through Miss Reid. We are deeply grateful for your interest and support through the years.

Dr. Mitchell is away but would add his thanks and best wishes, I am sure.

Sincerely,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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Miss Katherine Stoney
63 Auburn Ave. N.E.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Miss Stoney:

It is so much more human to communitate with you now that I have seen you in the flesh.

Enclosed find check from Mr. Edwin G. Seibels for $20.00

Faithfully and with best wishes,

R. R

Rebecca Reid.

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June 17, 1953

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 E. Calhoun Street,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

The enclosed SRC check for $51.00 is one half of the dues received from South Carolina members of the Council during April and May, plus the three dollar contribution from Lt. Scott Hamilton. The enclosed list will give you the names of those who paid.

We enjoyed having you with us for the Annual Meeting. Do come to see us whenever you can.

Best wishes from the SRC staff.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Mr. J. M. Dabbs

SOUTH CAROLINA

April

Mrs. Julian Hennig 811 Woodland Drive, Columbia	$ 1.50
Mr. & Mrs. Sanford Bradley Schoofield, Aiken	2.00
Dr. B. A. Everett 1329 Pine St., Columbia	1.00
Very Rev. Maurice Shean Box 895, Rock Hill	1.50
Rev. & Mrs. Maxie Gordon 2119 Washington, Columbia	2.00
Dr. Dorothy Jones Winthrop College, Rock Hill	1.50
Rev. James L. Doom 1410 Home St., Hartsville,	1.50
Rev. Walter Melfi 338 W. Washington, Greenville	1.50
Lt. Scott Hamilton Shaw Air Force Base, Sumter (cont. to S. C. Div.)	3.00
	15.50

May

Miss Josephine Pinckney 36 Chalmers St., Charleston	3.00
Judge R. J. Foster P.O. Box 1325, Greenville	1.50
Miss Rebecca Reid Sumter	1.50
Mrs. St. Julien Childs 73 King St., Charleston	1.50
Miss Azilee Livingston Newberry	1.50
Miss Mary E. Frayser Box 41, Winthrop College, Rock Hill	1.50
Mrs. J. F. Welborne, Jr. 2801 Augusta Rd., Greenville	1.50
Mr. & Mrs. Jules Banks 3010 Amherst, Columbia	2.00
Mrs. B. Duvall Chambers 3517 Devereaux, Columbia	1.50

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Mr. Columbus Andrews Furman University, Greenville	$ 1.50
Mr. Gadsden Shand 110 S. Saluda St., Columbia	3.00
Mr. A. T. Butler 2411 Laurel St., Columbia	1.50
Rev. J. J. Gravatt Box 447, Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman 1511 Laurel St., Columbia	2.00
(These gift memberships by Mrs. Spearman)	
Miss Marjorie Asbill S. C. State Dept. of Education, Wade Hampton Office Bldg., Columbia	1.50
Mr. Ralph Williams Newberry	1.50
Dr. J. E. Grant Newberry	1.50
Mrs. W. S. Suber Whitmire	1.50
Mr. Wright Spears Columbia College Columbia	1.50
Miss Estellene Walker State Library Board Columbia, S. C.	1.50
Mrs. George S. King 1701 Belmont, Columbia	1.50
	$ 35.50

September 18, 1953

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 East Calhoun St.,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

Attached is the Council's check for $47.00 and a list of those S. C. members who paid dues during the summer. South Carolina members did very well, as usual.

I do hope that you had a pleasant summer and that the coming year will bring good things for you.

We are interested in the response that has already come about our "Questions and Answers" pamphlet. Several people from South Carolina have ordered extra copies. We hope it will be used!

Our very best wishes to you.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Mr. J. M. Dabbs

June 2953

SOUTH CAROLINA

Dr. Dorothy Richey Furman University, Greenville	$ 3.00
Mr. & Mrs. Courtney Siceloff Brogmore, S. C.	3.00
Mr. & Mrs. Albert Simons 84 South Battery, Charleston	2.00
Mrs. Janet Mangum Route 2, Spartanburg	1.50
Mrs. Alice Anderson 311 Cleveland Ave., Anderson	1.50
Mr. Geo. Wrigley 217 E. Park Ave., Greenville	1.50
Mr. Prince Riley Box 383, Rock Hill	1.50
Miss Annie McI. Rogers Bethlehem Center, 397 Highland Ave., Spartanburg	1.50
Mrs. Maggie Glover 556 S. Main St., Sumter	1.50
	$ 17.00

July, 1953

Mrs. R. E. Monteith Rt. 1, Box 208, Columbia	$ 1.50
Mr. W. T. Moore Rt. 3, Box 232, Laurens	1.50
Miss Laura Ebaught Furman Univ., Greenville	1.50
Dr. & Mrs. J. J. Seabrook Claflin College, Orangeburg	4.00
Rev. G. W. Beard 543 Lige St., Rock Hill	1.50
Mr. & Mrs. J. Claude Evans Box 867, Columbia	2.00
Dr. Ralph Barbare Winthrop College, Rock Hill	3.00
Mr. John A. Zeiglar, Jr. 9 College St., Charleston	1.50

Miss Mary Helen Oetzel Box 482, Florence	$ 1.50
Mrs. C. W. Riser 1224½ Washington St., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Broadus Thompson P.O. Box 480, Columbia	1.50
Rev. P. E. Cook Box 789, Rock Hill	1.50
Miss Elizabeth Davidson Coker College, Hartsville	3.00

August, 1953

Miss Kathryn Lewis 4005 Devereaux Rd., Columbia	1.50
Mr. L. M. Green Box 11, Lake City	1.50

(June, 1953)

Mr. Allen Edwards Winthrop College, Rock Hill	$ 1.50

SRC Y.W.C.A. COLUMBIA OCTOBER 31,1953

Mrs. G. E. Nelson, Benedict College, Columbia	$3.00
Rev. Matthew D. McCollom, 191 Boulevard N.E. Orangeburg,S.C.	3.00
Joseph Pelot, 1831 Pulaski St., Columbia	3.00
Mr. & Mrs. Willis Johns, 2328 Hampton St. Columbia	5.00
Dr. H. D. Monteith , 711 Main St., Columbia	3.00
Rev. J. M. Hinton, 1222 Heidt St. Columbia	5.00
James H. Goudlock, Friendship College, Rock Hill, S.C.	3.00
Mrs. R.L.Jones, 809 Henderson St., Columbia,S.C.	3.00
Rev. & Mrs. W.R.Gregg, Eoute 1, Box 176 Orangeburg, S.C.	4.00
John A. Harris, 3 Bogard St. Charleston, S.C.	3.00
Miss Julia Reynolds, 302 W. Calhoun St. Sumter,S.C.	3.00
J.O. Rutherford , 1429 Park St. Columbia, S.C.	3.00
Mr. & Mrs. J. E. Blanton, Route 1, Box 99 Cordova, S.C.	4.00
Rev. Harold Cole, 5725 Sylvan Drive, Columbia	3.00
Mrs. A. E. Robinson, 1304 Liberty Hill, Columbia,S.C.	3.00
Rev. Dr. J.A.Bacoats, Benedict College, Columbia	3.00
Miss Marian Findlay, 1717 Green St. Columbia,S.C.	3.00
Mrs. R.E.Monteith, Route 1, Box 208 Columbia	3.00
Mrs. C.B.Burroughs, 62 Hanover St. ~~XXXXXXX~~ Charleston	3.00
Mr. & Mrs. A.J.Clement Jr. 32 Bogard St., Charleston	5.00
Miss L. J. Gambrell Benedict College Columbia	3.00
Mrs. Henry L. Forbes 1514 Divine St. Columbia	3.00
	$74.00

Miss Ethel Simpson Y.W.C.A. Greenville
Mrs. J.F.Welborn Jr. 2801 Augusta Rd. Greenville
Miss Claribel Harn 225 Mountain View Ave. Greenville
Mrs. F. A. Abbott, Paris Mountain, Greenville
Mrs. T.B.Stackhouse Columbia
Mrs. Sylvia Poole Swinton
Mrs. Josie Hazel Y.W.C.A. Aiken
Miss Lois Gratz Y.W.C.A. Aiken
Mr. & Mrs. Louis Simmons 1225 Manning Ave. Columbia
Miss Elizabeth Davidson 1307 First St. Hartsville
Miss Azilee Livingston 618 King St. Columbia
Mrs. O.R.Reuben Morris College Sumter
Mrs. Sarah Daniels Morris College Sumter
Mrs. A.D.Kelly 163 President St. ?
Ralph Barbare Rock Hill
Rev. Clyde Helms 921 Woodrow St. Columbia
Richard Foster Greenville
Victor Rice Greenville
Mrs. Ethel Williams Wilson Benedict College Columbia
Mrs Eugene Spearman 1511 Laurel St. Columbia
Mr. & Mrs. Charles M. Jones Chapel Hill, N.C.
Mrs.Mojeska Simkins 2025 Marion St. Columbia
J.M.Dabbs Mayesville
Gadsden Shand 110 S. Saluda Columbia
Rebecca Reid 29 E.Calhoun St. Sumter
Lillian Hunt Y.W.C.A. Columbia
Mrs. May F. Kennard 1408 Senate St. Columbia (Benedict College)

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To Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave. N.E.
Atlanta, Ga.

Membership fees collected at Annual Meeting
S.C.Division of SRC, October 31,1953

Enclosed:

Checks payable to SRC----------$10.00

Checks payable to S.C.Division SRC 11.00

Currency (Remitting by personal Check 53.00
$74.00 KS

Rebecca Reid

Rebecca Reid, Treasurer
S.C.Division SRC

November 2,1953

Please hold Dated Dec.15 till that date. (Martha Aiken Jones)

1 check held to Dec 15

November 2, 1953

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 E. Calhoun Street,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

You are indeed the best state treasurer we have - you send in the dues collected immediately after the meeting - not some weeks later. Thank you very much!

Thank you also for sending the news of the meeting. I was especially pleased at the number of WWCA people who were present from Grenville, Columbia and Charleston I see two people were there from the USO-YWCA at Aiken.

I know that you folks enjoyed "Charlie" Jones. He has been a special friend of mine for several years, and both he and Dorcas, his wife, are the sort of people who make one want to do things - they are the most unpretentious and yet inspiring people I know. I congratulate the S. C. Division for having him as their speaker.

Best wishes to you and thank you for your good work.

Sincerely,

Katherine Stoney,

April 14, 1954

Miss Rebecca Reid
29 East Calhoun St.,
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Miss Reid:

Attached is the Council's check for $55.50 which is South Carolina's share of the dues paid by S.C. members of SRC during December, 1953 and January, February, and March, 1954. Also attached is a list of those members who did pay.

We are delighted to see that South Carolina is already moving ahead with plans for the expanded state division of SRC. Mr. Foster sent us a copy of the notice of your meeting which he had distributed. Best wishes for a good meeting and good response. We know that there are already many strong leaders in South Carolina and that with the help of folks like you and Mrs. Spearman and the others much can be done. You will note that there is among the dues a contribution of $21.50 from Mrs. Spearman for the S. C. Div.

Many thanks for all your good work. Best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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cc. Mr. R. J. Foster

Dec. 7.50
Jan. 1.50
Feb. 15.50
Mar. 31.00
55.50

SOUTH CAROLINA

DECEMBER

Miss Lois Gratz YWCA, Aiken	3.00
Mrs. A. Kelley 163 President St., Charleston	1.50
Mrs. Marian B. Paul 2324 Washington St., Columbia	1.50
Miss Marjorie Cannon 336 Alexander Avenue, Spartanburg	1.50
	$ 7.50

JANUARY

Mrs. A. M. Roberts Rt. 2, Box 24½, Pineville	1.50
	$ 1.50

FEBRUARY

Mrs. E. H. Spearman cont. to S.C. Div. Columbia	12.50
Miss Caroline Gillespie Hartsville	3.00
	$15.50

MARCH

Miss Gabrielle Austin 811 N. Main St., Greenville	1.50
Rev. A. R. Howard Box 847, Sumter	3.00
Mr. John B. Culbertson Box 1325, Greenville	1.50
Mrs. T. B. Stackhouse 3315 Colin Kelly Dr., Columbia	1.50
Mrs. Annie M. Cloud 324 Allen St., Rock Hill	1.50
Bishop J. E. Kearney Box 605 Summerville	3.00
Mrs. A. A. Nelson 2202 Gervais, Columbia	1.50
Rev. A. D. Betts Pinopolis, S. C.	1.50

South Carolina (continued)

MARCH (continued)

Most Rev. J. J. Russell 114 Broad St., Charleston	1.50
Rev. H. R. Hawkins 543 Hampton St., Rock Hill	1.50
Dr. D. M. Duckett 504 S. Trade St., Rock Hill	1.50
Mrs. A. A. Springs Myrtle Beach	1.50
Mrs. H. L. Shaw Sumter, S. C.	1.50
Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Swinton 2507 Laurel St., Columbia	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Suritz 532 Forest Lane, Rock Hill	2.00
Mrs. J. H. Cook Slater	1.50
Mrs. F. A. Abbott Rt. 5., Paris Mt., Greenville	1.50
Mrs. W. M. Burnett 216 E. Park Ave., Greenville	1.50
	$31.00

DONATIONS FOR THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Mrs. R. E. Monteith
Rte.
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $5.00 K5.

Mr. C. D. Ingram
2503 Millwood Avenue
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $5.00

Mr. J. A. Bacotes
Benedict College
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $5.00

Pres. S. R. Higgins
Allen University
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $5.00

Mrs. A. W. Simkins
2025 Marion Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- 10.00

Mr. T. P. Stanback
2300 Haskell Avenue
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $5.00

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Johnson
1401 Park Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- 10.00

Dr. L. H. Hallman
2326 Stark Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $5.00

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Butler
2411 Laurel Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- 10.00

Mr. R. W. Paul
2324 Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $5.00

Dr. R. W. Mance
1429 Pine Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $5.00

Dr. D. K. Jenkins
1107½ Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $2.00

Dr. J. G. Stuart
2030 Taylor Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $5.00

Mr. W. H. Harvey
1301 Heidt Street
Columbia, Sout Carolina ---------- $3.00

Bishop F. M. Reid
Allen University
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $10.00

Mr. Walker E. Solomon
1719 Taylor Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $3.00

Mr. John Henry Washington
2330 Reid Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $25.00

Dr. H. H. Cooper
1125½ Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $2.00

Mr. John H. McCray
1507 Harden Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $3.00

Dr. H. D. Monteith
711 Main Street
Columbia, South Carolina ---------- $5.00

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April 26, 1951

Dr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I am returning the prospectus herewith.

I think it is very good.

I am sure that somebody should appear before the Board of the Ford Foundation to clear up any question which may come to their minds. I do not feel that the request alone would be sufficient.

I am sorry that I am so late. I have been out of the city for some time.

Very sincerely yours,

Harold L. Trigg
President

HLT/tlc

REQUEST

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I

INTRODUCTORY: THE SOUTH IN A WORLD OF CRISIS

1 A hundred and fifty years ago the nation began to build two economies, two social and political systems, increasingly separated until the time of the Civil War. In 1865 the legal institution of slavery was made to give way and the country prepared itself, in law, for the adoption throughout the South of the institutions of the general American society. The process of adoption has advanced in industry and commerce. It has lagged in agriculture, and it has lagged dangerously in political arrangements and human relations.

2 This lag seriously weakens the nation as a whole. Most obvious perhaps is the disproportionate influence of the South in the nation's government. The narrow electorates of the Southern States have pushed to prominence men ill-conditioned to cope with modern problems. Their defense of racial inequality and injustice has made itself heard throughout the world; their skill at parliamentary delay and obstruction hamstrings our whole legislative process. Time and time again, the expressed will of the American people has been thwarted by this unrepresentative minority.

3 A second problem of national scope is posed by the increasing migration of Southerners to other parts of the country. Among these migrants is the cream of the South's human resources — able, well-educated persons of both races who are dissatisfied with their region's economic and social backwardness. Their talents, skills, and leadership, so sorely needed at home, find their richest expression elsewhere.

4 A far greater number bear with them from the South the burdens of poverty, poor health, limited education, and a stunted view of society. They arrive in large cities of the North and West ill-equipped for the specialized demands of urban industrial life. Worst of all, they are followed by the same

1 problems that have contributed so heavily to the South's underdevelopment. It is disturbing to see how readily the conventional white Southern attitudes on matters of race take root in other regions. Even where discrimination has no sanction in law, an extra-legal pattern of inequality has asserted itself; Negroes are crowded into substandard neighborhoods, are denied employment opportunities, and are forbidden access to a substantial number of public and private facilities. Such conditions inevitably breed interracial friction and violence.

2 These problems are not new, and in ordinary times they might seem no more pressing than they have been for some years. But these are not ordinary times. As anyone sensitive to world opinion must realize, the hope for peace, the very hope for survival of our civilization, depend largely on the vitality of America's democratic institutions. Communist propaganda, which exploits to the full every evidence of second-class citizenship in this country, can be effectively refuted only by vigorous, everyday application of our country's ideals. Notoriously, the undemocratic arrangements in the South and their manifestations in the rest of the country breed for us distrust among the two-thirds of the world's people who are dark-skinned and whose bringing over to democratic institutions and personal liberty is an all-compelling task. Ours is mainly a Caucasian country; that makes all the more pressing our obligation to demonstrate, at home and abroad, that American democracy knows no preferred race.

3 That task is equally essential to our own unity as a people. The present state of national emergency, which promises to endure for a period of years, puts unusual strains on intergroup relations. Negro citizens are needed more and more in our productive manpower. As soldiers, as production workers, as private citizens, they are called on to bear their part of sacrifice and devoted effort. There is no doubt that Negroes will fulfill this

1 obligation, as they have before, to the extent that they are permitted to do so. But the qualities of loyalty, ability, and creative talent required for this performance are precisely those which have been crushed down by the weight of the South's outworn traditions. This ceiling on initiative and skill must be removed with all the speed and expertness compatible with the orderly functioning of our society.

2 Negroes themselves are no longer patient with the restrictions on their citizenship, and they are challenging those restrictions with increasing vigor. The last decade has brought heightened pressure for civil rights legislation, legal attacks on segregation, and momentous Supreme Court decisions. As a result, segregation is beginning to crack -- though slowly and with the fiercest opposition from the South's most powerful elements. Welcome as today's legal gains are, they are accompanied by demagoguery and division which gravely threaten our national well-being. The final test is how quickly and effectively legislation and judicial rulings can be converted into justice for the individual in his everyday life.

3 The adjustments are going to be severe and they will be made in many fields: politics, education, government (including state and local), entertainment and recreation, private and public services to an unsegregated army, employment, travel, and agriculture; in all these there will be innovation, growth, friction. The effects will need skilled attention, especially in this region, which has the largest minority group population in the United States.

4 For these reasons and more, it is imperative that those who have faith in a common Southern citizenship be enabled to put their thought and energy to full service. This is a proposal to make that possible.

II

SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL

1 The Council proposes flexible machinery designed to bring maximum improvement in a region which has within itself great diversity, which presents special and complex problems in human relations, and in which little of this kind has yet been attempted.

2 The advantages of the structure outlined below are its adaptability to local conditions and its susceptibility to growth and change in the light of additional knowledge and experience;

3 1. A network of trained, competent, professional persons of both races working in each Southern state as agents of improvement in public life.

4 2. Staff in the Atlanta office of the Southern Regional Council to direct and service the field people.

5 3. Interpretation of appropriate research findings from universities and other centers to the practical situations with which the action program will be concerned.

6 4. A continuous program of public education and information, in which the Southern Regional Council will draw on the experience and findings of both the action program and independent research in human relations.

7 The particulars of this approach and its special validity for the South will be discussed in the succeeding sections.

III

THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL: ORGANIZATION

1 The Southern Regional Council was in large measure an outgrowth of the Commission on Interracial Cooperation, founded in 1919 out of the racial troubles which came after the first World War. In the civic restlessness which accompanied the second World War, the friends of the Commission's work, with many others, set up in 1944 the Southern Regional Council. Its stated goal is to obtain by research and action the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all people of the region.

2 The Council works within a region having the broadest range of conditions, from plantation feudalism to Oak Ridge industrialism. It is composed for the most part of middle-class people -- some 3100 dues-paying members. They are nearly all educated persons and hold responsible positions in their communities. They are ministers, teachers, college presidents, leading church women, business men, doctors, and the like. By and large, they are circumspect people who, out of conscience, reject the Southern taboos on interracial effort. Probably half of them are white and half are Negro.

3 Members in nine states have come together as State Divisions of the Southern Regional Council. Those bodies elect their officers and governing committees and work out their own policy and program within the broad objectives of the Council as a whole. Their treasuries are made up mainly from the return to them of half of the $3.00 annual dues paid to the Council. In three other states, the Council works in close association with surviving quasi-independent state interracial committees.

4 The Council is governed by an able and representative board, with quarterly meetings of the board's executive committee. Such distinguished leaders as Dr. Will W. Alexander, Dr. Charles Johnson, Dr. Howard Odum, Ralph

1 McGill, and many others, have been intimately associated with the growth and work of the Council. The organization is strictly non-political and enjoys the U. S. Treasury's official letter of tax exemption dated July 28, 1947.

2 As to whether the Southern Regional Council is a suitable base upon which to build a major program of human relations in the South, we offer the following points:

3 1. The Council is a going organization with staff, books, files, experience, and reputation. An entirely new organization would need many months, probably a year or more, merely to get under way.

4 2. The Council is the only organization of its kind in the South. It is genuinely inclusive. Its membership draws no lines of race, color, or class. Its board of directors includes persons distinguished in all of the main religious groups, in industry, commerce, agriculture, and labor. It draws strength from every state in the South. There is no other body in the South which ties together in this way Protestants, Catholics, and Jews; Negroes, Indians, and whites; professors and preachers; industry and organized labor.

5 3. The Council has deep roots in the South. As successor to the Commission on Interracial Cooperation, in friends and in standing it goes back thirty years. Across the region in every state, the people who have been active in this movement are the people whose support would be necessary to any program of this general kind. The Council receives considered attention from influential persons in the press (white and Negro), in Federal and state and local government, in business, in organized labor, in the agricultural services, in church bodies, in the colleges and universities, in the public school systems, and in professional social welfare circles. Settled and trusted friendships of this kind have always heretofore been a prerequisite of success in the human relations field.

6 4. The Council has always worked responsibly and in good faith. It

1 has stayed away from resounding, self-righteous statements and has tried in every situation to reach a solution which would bring gain to the region as a whole. It has constantly been in touch both with developing modern thought about the problems of intergroup relations and with people in communities where ideas and practices in this field have changed little in many years.

2 5. The Council has watched and studied and collected facts about and has taken part in the sweeping changes in the South in industry, in farming, in education, in housing, in health, in labor organization, and so on. That gives the organization a background from which to judge the use of new trends, new problems, and new events.

3 6. The Council has put out a long series of publications which have a reputation of trustworthiness. They are widely used in schools and colleges and churches -- which is to say that our imprint is established and accepted.

4 7. The Council has been scrupulous about its tax-exempt status as an educational and non-political organization. It does not lobby, organize campaigns to support specific bills, or praise or denounce candidates for public office.

5 In summary: Being natively Southern, the Council escapes the stigma of "outside interference"; being truly representative of both races, it works for honest agreement that does not violate principle or self-respect; being closely in touch with the best modern thought in this field, it avoids the errors of a shortsighted vision that ends at the Mason and Dixon Line.

IV

THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL: ACTIVITIES

1 The day-to-day activities of the Council, both the Atlanta office and the local membership, have covered a broad range. A monthly publication, New South, keeps members and other interested persons informed about current problems and progress. In addition, the Council has prepared and distributed pamphlets, running to hundreds of thousands of copies, which set out the facts about Southern health, housing, education, law enforcement, race relations, etc. It has made its files available to the press, to public and private agencies, and to individuals who need to be informed; hardly a week goes by that the Council is not called upon to provide the background for an article or news story that will reach a large public. It has published, too, the results of careful investigations of incidents involving mob violence.

2 The Council's members are useful in their communities in countless ways. They press for better schools and recreational facilities, impartial justice, fairer administration of public services, and the other things which make for a common citizenship. Quite importantly, they provide a Southwide network of conscientious people who are alert to the signs of violence and know what to do to avert it.

3 These are some of the steady, continuing functions of the Council. Added to them are the specific projects developed to meet special need or special opportunity. Whenever the Council has seen a chance to speed growth and equality, it has pushed hard at that point. Here are examples out of the last few years.

4 Among the most important of the Southern Regional Council's special programs is its work with the church women of the South. This activity follows the pattern set by the Interracial Commission's affiliate, the Associa-

1 tion of Southern Women for the Prevention of Lynching. That organization worked long and fruitfully to reduce the number of lynchings and to see justice done; it played an important part in bringing down the annual number of these atrocities from thirty or forty in the 1920's to the one or two of today. But with the decline of formal lynching, new, though related problems have come to the forefront; discrimination in the courts, police brutality, and official intimidation. Under the leadership of Mrs. M. E. Tilly — a member of the Council's staff who served on the President's Civil Rights Committee -- church women of many denominations from all parts of the South have been brought together as a "Fellowship of the Concerned." Thousands of them have pledged themselves to visit their local courts and work for fair and impartial justice; to inspect conditions in their local jails; and to be alert for preventive action at the first threat of interracial violence. This organized body of conscience and moral courage is one of the most promising developments in the South today.

2 The Interracial Commission encouraged Southern towns and cities to employ Negro policemen. The advantages are obvious, but politics and prejudice have usually stood in the way. In 1947, after correspondence with police authorities over the South, the Council published a table of Southern places that use Negro police, comments by police chiefs, and an account of Greensboro's (N.C.) experience with the practice. There were then 41 cities in 10 states, and a total of about 125 Negroes on the police forces. That publication has been circulated in city after city as the issue came to decision. By September 1950 the figures were 427 Negro policemen in 77 cities, with every Southern state represented. Other factors played their part in getting this practice adopted — most importantly, the growing Negro vote. But the Council supplied the facts, robbed the prejudiced opposition of their arguments, and in place after place converted a hope into a documented case for progress. It has been

1 interesting to see the regularity with which people in the towns where the issue comes up write to the Council and ask for the materials which will enable them to persuade a reluctant police committee of their city council.

2 As to civil rights, the Report of the President's Committee had a hostile and inaccurate press in the South. Yet the document was certainly one whose lessons the South had to learn. The Council went patiently about the job. It prepared a simple digest of the Report, of which many thousands of copies have been sold each year, and an accompanying manual called "The Condition of Our Rights" which backs up points in the Report with facts from Southern places. The Report has been the main subject of two Southwide meetings of church women arranged by the Council; one of them, featuring Eleanor Roosevelt as guest of honor, drew nationwide attention. In September 1948 the executive committee issued a constructive statement titled "An Honest Answer in the Civil Rights Controversy." Several Southern newspapers carried the lengthy statement in full and most others used the wire-service stories on it. The Council has not calmed the tempest, but it has been successful in getting a sane point of view clearly put before the South. Given added resources, the Council could greatly increase and intensify the impact of its work in this field.

3 A share in policy making. In 1949 the Governor of North Carolina took the unprecedented step of appointing a Negro to the state school board. He happened to be the former Associate Executive Director of the Southern Regional Council. The appointment was of the very greatest significance, as the precedent, if followed, could work wonders in releasing the civic energies of the Negroes of the South, and in building among both races a responsible and understanding common citizenship. Our executive committee wrote in praise of this act to each of the Southern Governors, and published the letter

1 widely. Many Council members took on the task of getting the practice adopted. In other states, and in various cities, the precedent broadens. The Council cherishes each gain, keeps a public record of them all, and continues to urge on the South the justice and wisdom of building in this way true democracy.

2 Self-Surveys. There is no better device for fostering local democratic practices than this process of fact-finding and corrective follow-up by representative persons in the community itself. The Council urges and assists Southern towns to form, with the greatest care, local bi-racial committees. Once formed, the survey committee itself, with the aid of local volunteers, goes out and counts the houses and views the plumbing. It writes up the schools and the parks, the busses and the sewers. It publishes a report — which the town really notices — and it forms a follow-up committee to meet periodically, cross off the recommendations accomplished, and plan continuing action. This is what the chairman said in Greenville, S. C., when the survey there was completed:

3 "The best thing about the survey was that it got people together. We didn't know each other well enough. Now we do. Meeting and working together — not as people of two races, but as citizens with a common purpose — has been a release and a relief."

4 The Council makes available a manual for such self-surveys, works through its staff and members to get new towns to undertake them, and offers technical assistance and guidance at every stage.

5 Race in the News. Two years ago there were signs that many Southern newspapers would like to do a more decent job of handling news about Negroes. None of them knew quite how. The Council got an able young journalism teacher to analyze some one thousand representative clippings, from which he sifted out the five main ways of doing harm with a newspaper in a bi-racial

1 society. The result was a booklet, called "Race in the News." It is in newspaper language, is persuasive, and has a helpful dash of wit. When it had been in print three days, the Southern Newspaper Publishers Association requested enough copies to send one to every daily paper in the South. Such periodicals as Time and Newsweek helped make it widely known through their columns. The Council sent a copy to each of the two thousand county weekly newspapers in the South. Local committees of Council members called on their editors and urged the adoption of the standards set forth in "Race in the News."

2 The change in eighteen months' time is remarkable. A great many papers are, for the first time, printing pictures of Negroes not in the hands of the law. They use courtesy titles. They say "Negro" and not "negro." They seek out newsworthy Negro activities. They accord dignity. Many papers, of course, do as they always did, but in most cities one or the other of the papers has ceased to be a daily fountain of prejudice and is spreading acquaintance and respect.

3 Professional associations. The Council has long nurtured the slow broadening of the principle that profession knows no color. The social workers first adopted the principle, then the nurses, then the librarians. Last year the Florida Medical Society abolished its racial qualifications. The Council gathered the facts on each of seven major professional associations in each of the thirteen Southern states. These were published in New South and distributed to our members, the newspapers, and appropriate leaders in the professions. There is evidence already that this spotlighting of the facts will do quite a lot to speed the letting down of that heavy barrier to equality.

4 School facilities. Three years ago a series of Federal court decisions in Virginia made it perfectly clear that the law required entirely

1 equal facilities wherever a state tried to maintain separate schools — that delay and evasion would no longer work. The Council had the dramatic events in King George County, Virginia, carefully described by the Secretary of the Race Relations Department of the Virginia Council of Churches. This account, together with an estimate of the cost of equal facilities state by state, was published and sent to every state and county superintendent of schools in the South. It put them on notice that they had a very heavy expense coming up, and it argued also for agreement with Negro citizenship as to a program to follow. The Council thus got the facts out to the right people in a way they could understand.

2 These are examples, briefly described, of the kind of activity which the Southern Regional Council has carried on in the past few years. More detailed material and concrete evidence of effectiveness may be found in the appendices.

V

STATE ACTION PROGRAMS

1 More white Southerners than ever before are concerned about doing the right thing in race relations. Some of them — the small group from whom leadership must come — are informed, clearsighted, and determined. But most of them are simple people who have no profound understanding of social change. They lack the background needed to see "the race problem" in the broad context of a nation and world in crisis. They are, in varying degrees, confused, fearful, and easily misled. They are assailed daily by the demagoguery of unscrupulous politicians who know very well how to blend fear and confusion into an antidote to progress. Hate organizations like the Ku Klux Klan stand ready, as always, to reap the profits of prejudice and violence.

2 This demagoguery must be counteracted by positive guidance if the potential good will of the Southern people is to be converted into progress. The strains in today's changing South demand an unremitting effort to keep open channels of mutual trust, respect, and understanding between the two races. The Council's singular effectiveness at this job lies in its ability to unite the people of the South, white and Negro, who understand and want the full practice of democracy, and at the same time know intimately the old evils that burden the South, and their causes.

3 As the previous sections detail, each of twelve Southern states has in it a body of such people long accustomed to meet and work together on matters of public concern. With few exceptions, these state memberships have lacked funds for the employment of even part-time personnel. They have been, for the most part, dependent on the Council's regional staff for clerical work, professional fact-finding, and the many services generally which re-

1 quire trained persons. The Council's small staff, over-burdened by its regional functions and handicapped by distance, has been able to meet only a fraction of the state program needs. As a consequence, opportunities for productive activity daily go begging for want of skilled assistance.

2 The remedy is paid personnel in the states who can give leadership and continuity to those efforts. That would make possible gains not accessible to any other approach.

3 It is proposed that the Southern Regional Council be enabled to employ an executive secretary, an associate executive secretary, and a clerical person in each of these states: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia; and in Kentucky a lesser staff.

4 This state personnel would, of course, be charged with implementing in their respective states the program of the Council as described generally in the preceding section. However, four main tasks merit specific mention:

5 1. To strengthen the membership and organization of the forces in the state devoted to this general cause. That includes systematic organization of local groups meeting and working interracially, adaption of program to local and state needs, and following-up to get corrective action.

6 2. Fact-finding, consultation, and persuasion to foster more democratic practices in public and private agencies. Many inequalities and discriminations in the South's institutions are practiced thoughtlessly, as a matter of unquestioning custom. The experience of the Southern Regional Council has shown convincingly how very much can be accomplished by informed and judicious prodding of such arrangements. Often the mere pointing out of injustice — if done objectively and without recrimination — is sufficient to bring about more enlightened policies. What this central office, sparingly staffed, has been able to achieve in this way could be expanded infi-

1 nitely by the presence of able, full-time personnel in the states. The situations susceptible to such an approach can already be found in great numbers in every state. With the unfolding of new defense and mobilization activities, they multiply every day.

2 3. The development each year of about 24 home town self-surveys — two in each state. The effectiveness of this device has been remarkably illustrated in two such surveys completed at Jacksonville, Fla., and Greenville, S.C., and in others now in process. The device is described in another part of this memorandum and in the literature appended. Here it need only be said that experience teaches us that bringing a town around to where its leading people are willing to tackle the work of a survey is a slow business which can stretch over as much as two or three years. But the results bring a new quality of impartiality in public service and in local democratic understanding in each community. A few such communities in each state will, we believe, set a standard which other towns will come up to.

3 4. Exploring and getting into action a program of education in human relations. This is a particularly difficult field within a still segregated school system. Some would say, leave it untouched until a day when segregation is gone. But it seems to us the part of wisdom to find what can be done now and to do it. Partly it is a matter of preparing and supplying text material suited to the ways of teachers and of children of different age groups. Partly it is a matter of working to get the interest of parents and of teachers brought to bear on the problem in an organized way over the barriers of race. Largely, of course, it is a matter of educating public opinion. If these things are to be done in the South, they will have to be done through the sort of people who look to the Southern Regional Council for stimulus and guidance.

VI

RESEARCH INTERPRETATION

1 The organizational structure provided for in the preceding sections gives an opportunity to get into the hands of influential people of both races all through the Region the unfolding modern knowledge coming out of the universities and other research agencies. More than that, it provides test by implementation. And it makes possible the organization of a backflow from action people to research people.

2 It seems reasonable to suppose that from present and prospective philanthropic effort the amount of original inquiry into matters affecting human relations will expand greatly. It is to be hoped that much of this expansion will take place in the South. What is already known is more than is being used, but it is still the case that what is known is not yet enough to enable a satisfactory professional job in human relations to be done in the South. And what has been or will be worked out in research circles, North and South, will need translating into materials usable by people perplexed by workaday situations in the South.

3 It is therefore proposed that the Southern Regional Council be enabled to employ a small staff of social science people, to keep in touch both with the literature of their fields and with the State Secretaries over the South. Such a staff would include a sociologist, an anthropologist, a social psychologist, and perhaps an economist. It would have two or three clerical assistants. It would not undertake basic research, but would constantly be casting up actual needs for further information and passing them on to independent faculties or agencies doing research work. In time it should prove possible for this small staff to take a respected place in the world of Southern social science, appearing at professional meetings for

1 consultation on research planning, and otherwise coordinating what is done in this general field.

2 Meanwhile, the main function of the Council's research group would be translation. It would bring to bear on our field people and on the general public what existing knowledge has to contribute to present and local problems in human relations. And it would make available in understandable form the fresh work that comes out.

3 By far the greater proportion of the past and present work in this field originates in the North or the West, in societies which operate upon other premisses. The principle is there, and is valid, but the material is seldom in a form in which it can be successfully and widely used in the South. Here is the job for a central Southwide staff. Truth in these matters can be disseminated in the South. But it requires interpretation, restatement, and new and altered emphasis, in order to reach minds ready to bang shut at this or that linkage of words. This is the famous peculiarity of the South; no great mystery to people who know the distribution for the time being of prejudice and enlightenment.

4 The need is for staff enough to do this work with thoroughness, and in close relationship to the people who will use the knowledge. It will take not only the trained social scientists, but money for printing and for getting out a journal that will steer the whole enterprise, and a good deal of travel to the places where new things are being done. For lack of a service of this kind, a rich literature of social advance rolls out elsewhere, little known in the South, and seldom heeded. Here is a remarkable opportunity, in which a few people can serve nobly to strengthen thousands who yearn for simple justice, and have not the strength that comes from knowledge and understanding.

5 It is proposed that the research staff direct its attention heavily

1 to the problem of improved teaching on matters of race in the public and private schools of the South as touched on in the preceding section. For most of the white people of the South it is still the case that what pass for ideas about race are really thought-lodgments worked out in slave-times, when white people in fear and ill-conscience contrived a mythology to justify their privileges. And these prejudices, interwoven now with regional pride, survive as an underworld of thought, sustaining segregation and discrimination and winning preferment for demagogues. They have their counterpart also in Negro life.

2 Our school systems skirt this folklore. Countless teachers believe it themselves, and expound it, openly or subtly. Textbooks barely touch these delicate subjects, having a wary eye on political-minded Southern textbook commissions. Though we have had universal education in the South for fifty years and more, who will claim that the common schools have diminished perceptibly the strength of the old racial contempt?

3 There are many unanswered questions as to how this is to be corrected. In a segregated school system, how teach interracial understanding? What is the value of text material in general, and just what kind of text material is best? What are the methods and facts which will help most in persuading teachers, parents, and school authorities? What non-segregated experiences are available, or can be acceptably provided, for pupils, teachers, or both? Here is room for research and action, interrelated, of a most rewarding kind.

4 Turn to another whole field of action. Segregation will almost certainly continue its present course of piecemeal disappearance. But in each new area — employment, busses, railroad stations, public meetings, religious activities, and so on — new perplexities will arise. Some towns will handle these matters well; others, left alone, will make grievous mis-

1 takes. It would be a great service to the South, and to the nation, to provide an up-to-date knowledge of how these matters are worked out in the better places, and in the worse, in order that the better examples might be given maximum opportunity to spread.

2 All this amounts to a major change in Southern life, and one that will carry portentous threats in inhumanity and even in disorder. It is surely wise to provide, in advance, the people and the knowledge to bring out of each situation the best that is possible. For such a purpose, free time of trained observers and evaluators is a necessity. The Council's staff would have this job, too, and (again) access to the people who could cause the findings to be profitably used.

VII

THE COST

1 One of the main advantages of the state programs proposed in the previous section is the stimulus they would provide for local initiative and civic vitality. This is particularly important in a region where defensiveness breeds abnormal distrust of "outside influences." By the same token, it would seem desirable that such activity be financed by indigenous money. Unfortunately, that is not likely to be the case for some time to come. The very economic and social structure which gives rise to the South's pressing and unique problems is a mighty barrier to adequate Southern financing of such an effort. Few Southern persons who could make large gifts are inclined to be actively in sympathy with even a temperate human relations program. Such money as can be raised in the South for this purpose — as well as most of the skill and leadership — must come mainly from persons of modest means.

2 From its inception in 1944, the Southern Regional Council has depended for perhaps two-thirds of its budget on foundation grants. In average years it has spent approximately $55,000, of which thirty-five or forty thousand came from foundations, the remainder being raised from small contributions, church sources, membership dues, sale of literature, and subscriptions.

3 Following the loss of its chief foundation support through the termination of the Rosenwald Fund, the Council has put much of its energy into a search for individual contributions sufficient to sustain activity at the same level. Though the effort has been great, it has met with only partial success. Measured in terms of a program commensurate with the needs of the region, the results have been grievously inadequate. If this crucial work is to be done, major assistance must come from sources outside the region

1 which recognize the importance to the whole nation of sound progress in the South.

2 For a five-year period, the Southern Regional Council requests a grant from the Ford Foundation in the following amount:

CONSOLIDATED BUDGET

FIVE YEAR HUMAN RELATIONS PROGRAM IN THE SOUTH

State Action Programs	$ 904,505
Research Interpretation	228,890
Central Organization	253,500
TOTAL	$ 1,386,895

3 It may be wondered at that an organization which has operated for seven years on a minimal budget requests aid in this substantial amount. It should be observed, however, that the object is to extend the area rather than increase the scale of present operations. From the consolidated budget and the more detailed budgets which follow, it can be seen that the greatest part of the sum asked is for the development of activity in the states. Relatively little is requested for the existing central organization, and that largely for supervisory purposes. In preparing this request, the Southern Regional Council has had advice from a number of persons who have special knowledge of the South. It was their opinion, as it is ours, that a critically needed next step is activity that will do in detail, in the states and in communities, the kind of work which has been carried on regionally by the central office of the Council. The nature and cost of the program here proposed were determined accordingly.

4 We in the South have watched with interest and with envy the way in which states and cities across the North and West have found it possible in the past five or six years to apply to their mounting racial problems the corrective of paid staff. Connecticut, for one example among many, has a Negro population of not over 60,000 — smaller for the whole state than that of many Southern cities by themselves. Yet Connecticut supports at state

1 expense a Connecticut State Interracial Commission with a legislative appropriation of $54,000 a year. Today, most non-Southern states have such official statewide bodies, while scores of cities support such agencies as Mayors' Friendly Relations Committees. That is not to mention the many agencies and organizations of similar kind supported by private funds. By contrast, we in the South, at the very source of the problem of race, make shift with the good offices of untrained voluntary persons, who do what they can in odd moments to spread understanding and right action.

2 Despite its meager resources, the Southern Regional Council has achieved remarkable effectiveness and considerable recognition. But no one is more painfully aware than we of the gigantic task which remains undone; it calls for the leveling of a veritable mountain of prejudice, reinforced by law and by custom, sustained by political opportunists and professional bigots. The resources brought to bear on this task have as yet been pitifully slight. There is abundant evidence that the mountain can be leveled, but meanwhile it casts a perilous shadow across the whole of our democracy. The grant requested here for adequate skills and tools is a modest investment when measured against the size of the task and the potential returns in human betterment.

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PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FIVE-YEAR STATE ACTION PROGRAM

Annual Budget for Each of Eleven Southern States[1]		$ 18,200
Salaries[2]		
Secretary and Associate Secretary	$ 12,000	
Clerical	3,000	
Office		
Rent	900	
Communications	500	
Supplies	200	
Travel	1,600	
Annual Budget for Kentucky[3]		10,150
Salaries	8,000	
Office		
Rent	600	
Communications	500	
Supplies	150	
Travel	900	
Total for State Action Program for One Year		$ 210,350
Total for State Action Program for Five Years		1,051,750
Less Allowance for Lapses[4]		147,245
NET TOTAL FOR FIVE YEARS		$ 904,505

NOTES ON BUDGET A

1. Eleven of the twelve Southern States will need the typical staff here provided for. They are Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia.

2. This provides for the employment of both a white and a Negro secretary, at approximately equal salaries. It is the penalty of working in a divided society that obtaining the cooperation of both races requires nearly double expense. The Council proposes to meet this, for the first time in the South, and to furnish in each state leadership, working together, which all can trust and freely assist.

3. Kentucky, because of its smaller Negro population and the Negro's fuller integration in the public life of that state, should be able to work with less than a complete office.

4. In any such program, lapses would be considerable. Some of the people will begin work well along in the calendar year, and there will be short-run vacancies. We estimate the lapses for the first two years at 20%, and for each of the last three years at 10%, thus reducing the amount requested to the following yearly totals:

First Year	$ 168,280
Second Year	168,280
Third Year	189,315
Fourth Year	189,315
Fifth Year	189,315
TOTAL	$ 904,505

B

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR RESEARCH INTERPRETATION

This will require a staff of four social science persons, with appropriate clerical help and sufficient funds for books and periodicals, for publication, and for travel.

Annual Budget		$ 48,700
Salaries of Professional Personnel (four @ $8,000)	$ 32,000	
Clerical (two at $3,000)	6,000	
Travel	5,000	
Books and Subscriptions	700	
Publication	5,000	
Total for Research Interpretation for Five Years		$ 243,500
Less Allowance for Lapses (30% of first year)		14,610
NET TOTAL FOR FIVE YEARS		$ 228,890

C

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR CENTRAL ORGANIZATION[1]

Salaries per Year		$ 55,000
Executive Director and Associate	$ 17,000	
Secretary-Treasurer	5,000	
Director of Information	6,000	
Clerical	12,000	
Legal Counsel[2]	15,000	
Office Expenses per Year		3,700
Rent	$ 1,500	
Communications	1,200	
Supplies	1,000	
Travel per Year		7,000
Total for Central Supervision per Year		$ 65,700
Less Amt. to Be Raised Annually from Misc. Sources[3]		15,000
Net Total per Year		50,700
NET TOTAL FOR FIVE YEARS		$253,500

NOTES ON BUDGET C

1. So widespread and active a program could not succeed without able and painstaking coordination by a central office. Employment of all professional personnel in the state offices would need to be done in consultation with the Council's central office, and policy and action would need frequent review and a great deal of travel.

2. This amount to be available centrally, for the needs of the various states.

3. Experience proves that this amount can be found without undue diversion of effort from program.

OUTLINE OF APPENDICES

Appendix I - Financial

1950 Audit
U. S. Treasury Letter of Tax Exemption

Appendix II - Program Literature

Leaflet: "Fellowship of the Concerned"
New South, February 1951: "Church and Conscience in the South"

New South, October 1947 and September 1950: "Negro Policemen in Southern Cities"

Manual for the Home Town Self-Survey
"By the People" (Jacksonville Self-Survey)
New South, May 1948: "A Community Survey Gets Results"
"Greenville's Big Idea"
New South, July 1950: "Praise for Greenville's Big Idea"
Self-Survey Leaflet

"Race in the News"
New South, March 1950: "Race in the News — A Progress Report"
Herald-Tribune Reprint, July 8, 1950: "The Southern Press and the Negro"
Reprints from Time and Newsweek

New South, July 1950: "Professional Associations Drop the Color Bar"

New South, December-January 1948-49: "How a Virginia County Made Up Its Mind"

New South, May-June 1949: "A Recommendation for Action by the Southern Governors" and "A Share in Policy Making"
New South, November 1950: "Representation for All"

"To Secure These Rights" — a digest of the Report of the President's Committee
"The Condition of Our Rights" -- a companion piece to the Digest
"An Honest Answer in the Civil Rights Controversy"
New South, March 1948: "Southwide Workshops Draft Civil Rights Program"
SRC Publicity Clip Sheet on Civil Rights
New South, March 1949: "Pattern of Violence"

Appendix III - General Literature

"What Kind of South Do You Want?"
"The Southern Regional Council" (historical)
Herald-Tribune Reprint, April 1950: "The South Strikes at Inequality"
"Wanted: The South's Future for the Nation"
"Wanted: An Educated South"
"Wanted: A Healthy South"
"America's Tenth Man"
"Machines in the Cotton Field"
"Housing in the South"

"Race and Suffrage in the South Since 1940"
Set of bound volumes of New South

Appendix IV

Letters of Commendation and Evaluation of SRC's Program (From the files)

Appendix V

Major Magazine Articles Based on SRC Data

add to Perm Fund

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A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

December 23, 1952

Executive Secretary
Fund for the Republic
The Ford Foundation
655 Madison Avenue
New York 21, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The Southern Regional Council forwarded to the Ford Foundation at Pasadena in May, 1951, a formal request for aid, and a bit later sent out also exhibit folders. We have supposed that work in our field would come within the province of the new Fund for the Republic, and were therefore pleased to note the announcement the other day of the Board for this new fund.

I should like to lay before the Fund for the Republic the urgency of favorable action upon the Council's request.

The analysis made in our 1951 request of the situation in the South and the plan there described for an expanded program for integrated action and research stands; that is still the basic program we wish to be enabled to follow.

In the meantime, events call the more urgently for this program. I invite the Fund's attention to the problems looming up in the matter of school segregation. The decision next spring of the Supreme Court in the school segregation cases lately argued before it will almost certainly begin a period of intense strain in race relations throughout the South. Whatever the terms of the actual decision, each Southern State and each city and rural school board will be confronted with a requirement for rapid changes in policy and in expenditure, far-reaching administrative adjustment, and a supreme test of the statesmanship of our leaders and of the disposition of the people to abide by the law.

It may not be apparent that what is called a "moderate" decision of the Court would bring about such strain; but it is to be remembered that any decision will make heavy demands in speeding material equalization. This will be most in evidence in the rural areas of the lower South, where our school systems have, thus far, in the main, avoided the expense of

consolidation of Negro schools. Such equalization would greatly exceed in cost the present announced programs of the lower Southern States for their total measures toward equalization.

Even if the Court should uphold the "separate-but-equal" doctrine, considerable areas of the South will have before them necessary decisions on the question of segregated schools. Those counties and towns more thinly peopled with Negroes will have as an alternative to the erection and maintenance of physically equal facilities the opening of their present facilities to the small number of Negro students within their populations. For some, the task of providing equal school plants for a mere handful of Negroes would be staggering economically. Here is a test of our deepest traditions. It will be nip and tuck in many such counties whether to open or not. Good work by people effective in leadership could bring the decision down on the side of open schools. And the example of some open schools in most, or in all, of the Southern States would do much to spread that experience.

Clearly, those who have in the past composed the membership of the Southern Regional Council and those who have shared in our approach have a high duty in these coming months to prepare wisely for the strains ahead. The Council is in many ways uniquely fitted for this task. It has behind it an unbroken tradition of trustworthiness and responsible action which has won friends and respect throughout the South. It can summon the cooperation of a network of thoughtful and influential people in scores of Southern communities. It has skill and experience in presenting the nationwide demands for full democracy in ways that can win allegiance and acceptance in the traditional South. For these and other reasons, the Southern Regional Council feels equipped to mobilize a constructive body of opinion for the difficult transitions which must be made.

Our proposal would be a special organization to meet this special need in education. That has been our method in the past, as when the old Association of Southern Women for the Prevention of Lynching, integral with and yet separate from our predecessor, the Commission on Interracial Cooperation, produced a South-wide action program whose particular years of work coincided with the years in which the annual figures of lynchings came down dramatically. The present Fellowship of the Concerned works in similar ways to improve an understanding by Southern church women of the courts of law and to inform law enforcement officers in the back parts of the South on their proper duty in all matters affecting race relations.

A notable example of the Council's successful experience in this approach was the Veterans Services Project carried out in the years 1945 to 1947. The aim was to ease the transition of Southern Negro veterans to civilian life. A field staff of ten veterans, nine of them Negroes, traveled to cities and towns throughout the South, acquainting veterans servicing officials with the needs of Negro veterans and informing Negro veterans of the benefits to which they were entitled. The result was a substantial contribution to orderly and healthy readjustment in the postwar period.

Our thought would be to establish in each Southern State a special voluntary committee of from twelve to eighteen persons, addressing itself to this problem of the schools and race relations. The members would be representative of interests both of white and Negro citizenship in school matters. Every effort should be made to have the committee itself serve as a cross-over between persons reflecting the views of white and Negro teachers' organizations, white and Negro parent-teacher groups, white and Negro teacher-training institutions, church organizations, and simple citizens with public conscience.

Clearly, the membership of the committees would need to proceed from recognition of the fact that segregated school systems will not endure and that it is a present duty to plan and work for sound and effective integration. The committees would, in some sense, parallel official State school boards. Be it noted that in all Southern States except one (North Carolina), no Negro persons sit on the State school boards. The same thing is true of local school boards, with a handful of known exceptions. It would be the business of each committee to inform itself expertly on the practices, policies, personnel, and costs of the schools in its State, as at any given time conducted. So informed, the State committee would serve as a reliable and competent resource for facts very difficult to obtain in the growing public controversy.

It would serve also as a meeting place for two sets of opinion now rapidly drawing apart in increasing bitterness and suspicion. Negro groups, rightly pressing for their full constitutional heritage, tighten their insistence upon immediate and drastic solutions. And in too many places, those who figure in State and local government tighten their resistance to any change not in accordance with their own prejudices. In this situation it is the interest of the one party to overclaim on such facts as it can muster, and of the other party to defend and hide known inequities. One of the great stumbling-blocks to public understanding of educational inequities has been the failure of public officials to make known the facts, honestly and without distortion. A committee of fair-minded and thoughtful citizens could do much to give to the citizen body, which is the ultimate judge, both the accurate facts and a lead toward solution.

Voluntary committees of this kind could get little done if they had no funds and no paid personnel. Which is where the paid personnel, State by State, requested in our memorandum of May, 1951, comes in. It would be their first business to serve as executive and research aids for the special school committees.

This would be matching organization to need. It is the wisest thing we can see to do. It will draw upon the best of Southern leadership and tradition and enable it to work factually and effectively and not merely in a weak, though sincere, emotionalism.

One further point. The ultimate solution of this cleavage lies in acceptance of Negroes throughout the South as proper members of State and local school boards. Only when that has been achieved will the Negro community be officially and regularly supplied with the facts that must rule

in every controversy as to what is equal or what is workable. The voluntary committees, operating for some years (we would hope only four or five), would accustom the South to a very similar process, in which white and Negro citizens cooperating would examine the facts and advise on answers. So we would hope that a service at first provided privately and from the citizen body would be picked up as a regular part of the public life of the South.

The time to make these preparations is now.

We bespeak your earliest attention to the problem of providing funds under which the whole program of the Council, inclusive of this, can move forward.

Sincerely,

Marion A. Wright
President

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Minutes of Special Committee on Policy.

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Staff members present were: Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Norma Huff, George S. Mitchell, and Elizabeth Rogers. Paul D. Williams, President of the Council, was also present.

Since most of the members of the Special Committee had attended the ~~meeting~~ ~~the morning session~~ meeting of the Executive Committee in the morning, only a brief summary of the financial report was given. Mrs. Huff read the budget which had been adopted by the Executive Committee.

Mr. Williams, asked to make a brief statement of the purposes for which the Committee had been appointed, said that at the last meeting of the Board, in November, a motion had been ~~made~~ approved that a committee should be appointed to examine the over-all picture and try to sharpen the Council's pruposes in terms of the present day. It was desired that the Committee should be a cross-section and should also include people in the social sciences. In addition, the Committee was authorized to review a request to a major foundation for a grant.

Dr. Mitchell read excerpts from the verbatim minutes of the annual meeting which bore on the appointment of the Special Committee.

On the supposition that analysis of the foundation request would

bring out policy matters, the Committee turned its attention to the request which had been prepared by staff.

The appeal was read aloud, and commented upon in detail by each member present. (These comments have been made available to the staff and the suggested changes are being incorporated into an altered draft of the request.)

The Committee agreed that discussion of Council policy should wait upon completion of the present foundation appeal, as it was felt that our objectives were implicit in the appeal. It was suggested by Mr. Wright that, after completion of the appeal, it be gone over by a qualified person and a brief statement of about a thousand words be extracted. Mr. Dabbs asked that the statement extracted be so cast as to further the purpose of coalescing opinion in the South.

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Respy. submitted,

(Mrs) Norma Huff
Secy-Treas.

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2. Special Committee 3/3/51.

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these excerpts go in the minutes?)

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After some discussion, it was decided to postpone discussion of policy until after the appeal to the Ford Foundation had been discussed.

~~Dr. Mitchell read the main section of the appeal, and Mr. Fleming~~

It was decided that, since the appeal was new to most of those present, it should be read alound, with discussion to follow.

(Pick up the suggested changes from the excerpts previously typed up.)

Concerning the problem of presenting the report, Mr. Abram urged that the Ford Foundation group knows almost nothing about the South. He thought that the appeal should not go by mail, but that some prominent Southerner should talk by telephone with Hutchins and indicate that the Council is the organization to do something for the South, that he and other Southerners want to come to the Ford people and talk to them.

A committee of five or six was advocated, rather than the original three-man group, when the time came to talk in person to the Ford people. Dr. Guy Johnson thought that the selection of people for the committee should wait on what Mr. Williams finds when he talks to Mr. May.

It was agreed that discussion of purpose should wait on completion of the Ford appeal, because it was felt that objectives were implicit in the appeal. Mr. Wright suggested that after the completion of the appeal, it be gone over by a qualified person and the policy statement extracted. A statement of about a thousand words was favored.

Dr. Mitchell spoke of the problem of complete democratic decision. If the Negro in the South were fully represented on boards and legislatures

and in office, the white and Negro people ~~xxxxxx~~ at each major point would ~~xxxxx~~ make decisions by an open and democratic process.

Mr. Fleming added his feeling that, after final goals are determined, the problem still remains of how to move from the society which exists to the society which is desired. He thought we should perhaps concentrate more on process and less on a blueprint of what is desired.

Mr. Dabbs advocated that, when the statement of policy is extracted from the appeal, it be recast in terms more suited to a Southern audience, since the purpose of the statement would be to coalesce opinion in the South.

~~Mr. Dabbs pointed out that, in response~~

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March 1951

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council met at 10 A.M., March 3, 1951, in the Council offices, 63 Auburn Ave., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. Charles S. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee, presided, and the following members were present: Rufus E. Clement, Paul R. Christopher, Leonard Haas, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Guy B. Johnson, Paul D. Williams, and Marion A. Wright.

Staff members present were: Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Norma Huff, George S. Mitchell, Elizabeth Rogers, and Mrs. M. E. Tilly.

The invocation was given by Mr. Williams.

In closed executive session before being joined by the staff, the Committee approved the salary adjustments which had been recommended in the budget submitted to 1951 annual meeting ~~(what meeting? Check with NH)~~

NH ?:

~~Dr. Mitchell noted that the four issues tentatively~~

Minutes. Dr. Mitchell noted that the four issues tentatively decided by the non-quorum meeting had been approved by the entire Executive Committee when circulated by mail. One item omitted from those minutes -- Mr. Wright's suggestion that Mr. Williams appear on the radio to appeal for funds and that friendly newspapers be enlisted to campaign for funds for the Council -- had been added as an amendment to the minutes.

Upon motion,

1. IT WAS VOTED that the minutes as amended be adopted.

Pursuant to Mr. Wright's suggestion that radio time and newspaper space be sought to raise funds for the Council, Dr. Mitchell said that he and Mr. Fleming had not thought that there was much possibility in the latter

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idea, though they would do what the Executive Committee decided. Discussion of the matter was postponed until later in the meeting.

Report of the Executive Director

The principal effort of the staff has gone into enabling the Council to survive the past period of financial strain. The situation in December appeared ~~extremely~~ grave, with money coming in very slowly. Dr. Mitchell had made a number of speeches: to Catholic teachers' groups in north and south Alabama, and at Emory, Agnes Scott, and Georgia Tech.

Ford Fund. Friends in the Atlanta Anti-Defamation League have been working with one of their New York officials, who is acquainted with Mr. Alfred May, of the Ford Motor Company, an official of the Ford Fund. An appeal asking for $30,000 a year for three years has recently been sent off to the Fund.

Mr. Williams promised to write Mr. May to remind him of their meeting several years ago in Detroit. It was his opinion that Mr. May, who has charge of human relations for Ford, would be favorably disposed toward helping the Council.

Dr. Mitchell said that there had been some question about whether an application to the Ford Fund at this time would stand in the light of a larger application to the Ford Foundation. However, it had been the opinion of both Council Staff and others who had been consulted, that if the Company recognized the Council at all, the earlier application would not hurt a subsequent one.

Dr. Charles Johnson said that he himself knew Mr. May. He thought that it would be possible to get him to drop into the Council offices at some future date. He spoke briefly about Mr. May and his background.

3. Executive Committee 3/3/51.

Death of G. D. Rogers. Dr. Mitchell reported the death on February __ of Mr. G. D. Rogers, a member of the Board of Directors. Both he and Mrs. White of the Florida Division had attended the funeral on February 26. Mr. Fleming and Dr. Mitchell were authorized to prepare a resolution in the name of the Committee, to be sent to Mrs. Rogers.

State Divisions. Dr. Mitchell is scheduled to make a swing around Louisiana during the week of March 12. The Division is making an effort to set up chapters in a number of cities throughtout the State.

The Tennessee Division has been moribund; Mr. Mynders has submitted his resignation as Chairman and has suggested William E. Cole as a possible successor. Dr. Mitchell was reluctant to accept the resignation, believing that the proper procedure was for the Tennessee Division to convene a meeting and elect new officers. Dr. Charles Johnson mentioned Charles Puckette, now on the staff of the Chattanooga Times, as a possible chairman. Mr. Puckette had given $2,000 to enable the Urban League to make a study in Chattanooga.

~~manship of the Division, and had declined~~.

Dr. Guy Johnson, reporting on the recent organizing meeting of the North Carolina Division, said that the attendance had been too small for an election of officers. An organizing resolution and by-laws were adopted, and a nominating committee appointed to conduct ~~xxx~~ an election by mail. ~~In fact~~ Several of the candidates nominated had declined, and the nominating committee is therefore being contacted again. It may be another month before officers are elected.

Other business. Dr. Mitchell told of the work of Mr. Arthur Mitchell, a member of the Board, to raise money for the Council in various rural churches in Virginia. He is now in Texas on a fund-raising trip, and he will be back through Atlanta in a short time. No formal report has been received from him about ~~xxxxxxxx~~ the results of his ~~effort~~. trip.

Dr. Mitchell described his efforts during the past year to see Mr. Harry Straus, who had been constantly ill, and had died on February 27. Mr. Haas inquired about the possibility of getting help from Mr. Straus's heirs. Dr. Mitchell said he planned to see Mr. Straus's secretary at some future date and talk over possibilities with her. Mr. Williams suggested that the correspondence with Mr. Straus, showing his interest in the Council, be shown to the heirs.

Financial Report

At this point, the Secretary-Treasurer presented the financial report. (See attached.) She made the following specific points in going over the report with the Committee:

The figures in the Report are rough, since the auditor and the accountant both have been ill and unable to finish the audit.

5. Executive Committee 3/3/51.

State Efforts. A success as far as the over-all amount raised is concerned. The figure for the State Efforts, as well as for other individual sources, is very high.

Literature. Has not been selling as well as formerly.

Honoraria. Higher than ever before.

Dr. Mitchell commented that the Abram-Haas effort, beinginning in March, 1950, was the pump-priming needed to save the Council.

Dr. Guy Johnson promised that he and Mr. Wright would try to get the North Carolina Division to ~~return the amount paid back to it last year~~ follow the example of South Carolina in returning the amount paid back to it last year in dues.

Mr. Haas asked that on future financial reports comparative figures be given. This was agreed to by the Secretary-Treasurer.

Fund-Raising Suggestions

Mr. Williams proposed that at some time when a large pamphlet is to be issued, Mr. Palmer, of the Kingsport Press, should be asked to print ~~the~~ it for the Council free, or at least at cost; he has done that for other organizations in lieu of making a contribution. Mr. Williams further offered to write Mr. Palmer about it when the time came. Mr. Christopher said he was sure that Lucy Mason, who knows Mr. Palmer well, would be glad to call or write him.

Mr. Williams promised to see the ILGWU about the Council's application for a grant during his trip to New York the week of March 5.

Mr. Christopher said that Jacob Potofsky would be in Atlanta shortly, and promised to see him in ~~Chattanooga~~ Knoxville about the Council..

Mr. Christopher suggested approaching the ~~Industry-Union~~ Industrial Union Councils, whose director is Allen Heywood. He thought that individual Councils would give small donations to SRC. He suggested that Dr. Mitchell see Jack Kroll,

who could get him in to see Heywood. The procedure would be for Heywood to send letters to all the offices of the Councils saying that SRC is on the list of approved organizations; an appeal by letter should then be sent from SRC to all Councils. When the time came to write the letters, Mr. Christopher offered to help, and also promised to write a personal note to all the Councils.

Other possible organizations suggested by Mr. Christopher were the Ford Local at Memphis, Firestone at Memphis, International Harvester, and the Alcoa local at Maryville. Some of them, he said, has as much as $50,000 in the treasury.

Dr. Charles Johnson inquired whether the Council had any approach to college community funds. Dr. Mitchell told of the success of the Emory University Community Chest in raising money for the Council. He thought that Mr. Gardner, who had headed the Emory campaign, might write to other colleges if the Council would type the letters for him.

The difficulty with the Rock Hill survey was mentioned. Mr. Williams thought that the NCCJ would be willing to let their $500 be applied to a survey in another community, and promised to talk with NCCJ people about it.

Dr. Charles Johnson suggested an approach to the Marshall Field Fund on the basis of their "causelessness" since the closing down of the American Council on Race Relations.

Dr. Clement mentioned the existence of a Rosenwald Family Fund in Philadelphia, headed by Lessing Rosenwald, which recently gave $10,000 to the NAACP. Mr. Lessing Rosenwald has been working with the Displaced Person program.

Dr. Clement suggested writing Mr. John Fox, a Southerner living

in New York, who he thought would give the Council $500. Mr. Williams promised to see Mr. Fox if Dr. Mitchell would write him a letter. Dr. Clement also suggested Mrs. Lillian Manger, a Kentuckian, who owns the Vanderbilt Hotel, and Mr. Williams undertook to see her. ~~Hexxxxxxxxxx~~

Dr. Clement mentioned also Mr. Thomas Morgan, of ~~the~~ Sperry Gyroscope.

Dr. Mitchell told about arrangements for him to appear before local chapters of the American Jewish Committee.

Dr. Charles Johnson spoke of the effectiveness of dinner meetings as fund-raising devices, particularly in New York. He thought it would be ~~p~~ possible, with the right kind of backing, to raise a considerable sum by this method; he ~~xxx~~ offered to help plan such a meeting.

The consesnsus of the Committee favored exploring ~~thexpossibilityx~~ the possibility of such a meeting, perhaps for Southerners living in New York. It was thought that Marshall Field would be willing to sponsor it, either in Chicago or New York, or at least to cooperate. Dr. Clement suggested getting two or three noted people to make the after-dinner speeches.

Mr. Williams proposed, in addition, that prominent people who have their roots in the South be asked to call a ~~ximixar~~ smaller meeting of Southern-born New Yorkers to hear about the Council's work. The name of Stark Young was suggested as a possible sponsor.

Mr. Haas suggested approaching Mr. Albert Lasker for a contribution. He is a Texan, the son of Morris Lasker, whom Mr. Haas knew before his death.

Mr. Haas also agreed to write Mr. Alfred May, of Ford, telling him of his acquaintance with the Council.

Mr. Wright inquired whether the Southern Society of New York, and similar groups in other cities, be approached on the possibility of inviting

Dr. Mitchell to address them on the Council. Dr. Mitchell undertook to follow up his suggestion.

Dr. Guy Johnson said that there was available at Chapel Hill a list of Southerners in Who's Who. It was thought that they might be approached for contributions.

Dr. Charles Johnson suggested as a possible sponsor for a dinner meeting, Stark Young.

It was suggested that International Harvester be approached for a grant. Dr. Charles Johnson said that Sara Southall (4901 Ellis Avenue, Chicago) would be able to get Dr. Mitchell in to see Fowler McCormick, who he thought would be well disposed toward the Council.

Dr. Charles Johnson mentioned that a vice-president of International Harvester, named Archer, was a friend of Mr. Palmer of the Kingsport Press. Mr. Archer is probably closer than anyone else at International Harvester to the development of Southern plants. He thought that he would be a good person to reach, along with Fowler McCormick.

Mr. Haas: Alfred Sloan Foundation

Mr. Wright: Mr. ---------- (spelling of the name? The man in North Carolina who had been thought to be dying.)

Mr. Williams: General Mills. Dr. Mitchell said that the Council had had some contact with them, but had not succeeded in getting any money from the Atlanta office.

Mr. Wright suggested that Mr. Williams see Mr. Archer M. Huntington in New York (owner of the Newport News Shipbuilding Company.) He had done much for the Negro people in his neighborhood. He is the son of Collis P. Huntington, who was a great friend of Hampton and other Negro colleges.

Dr. Charles Johnson suggested that Mr. Williams see General Wood of

Sears, Roebuck, who controls a fund given through Sears Roebuck stores in various communities.

Another person recommended by Dr. Johnson was Mr. Sloan, president of the Metropolitan Opera Company.

Mr. Williams suggested the name of Charles Taylor, the new president of the Metropolitan Insurance Company, who is the brother of Mr. Williams' next-door neighbor.

Dr. Clement mentioned that the NAM has a committee of industrialists and educators to examine what can be done to aid private education.

Mr. Williams said that his own company maintains a fund of $200 a year. For the past five years the grant has gone to Mercy Hospital in Chicago. This year, on his recommendation, the fund was transferred to the Council.

Mr. Christopher mentioned an official of Allis-Chalmers (name not specified) as a University of Alabama graduate.

Dr. Charles Johnson said that the new president of the Chrysler Corporation is a Texan. Mr. Kelly, of Chrysler, who brought him to Chrysler, is a member of the Fisk Board of Directors. Dr. Johnson promised to find his name.

Discussion turned to the estimated budget. The sales tax problem was mentioned. Mr. Wright thought it possible that the Council might be required to charge the three per cent sales tax on all literature sold. The Secretary-Treasurer promised to investigate the matter.

There was some discussion of Dr. Mitchell's previous recommendation that the Council be put on a liquidation basis if $15,000 were not in sight by March 15. Because of the greatly improved financial situation

2. IT WAS VOTED that the Council be authorized to continue operations until the next meeting of the Committee in June.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

3. IT WAS VOTED that the revised budget for the ten-month period from March through December, as presented at this meeting, be adopted.

Discussion turned to the matter of the note to Mr. Byrd. Dr. Mitchell described the negotiations with Mr. Byrd in January, when the latter agreed to accept two short-term notes in place of the note which he then held. After advice from Mr. Haas on legal aspects of the matter,

4. IT WAS VOTED that the matter of the Byrd notes be left to Dr. Mitchell, Mr. Haas, and Mr. Williams to arrange.

Dr. Mitchell turned the discussion to the libel which had appeared in Roy Harris' paper. After some discussion,

5. IT WAS VOTED that the Committee extend its thanks to the Executive Director for having called the matter to its attention, but that no legal action be taken.

Mr. Haas undertook to see Roy Harris in Augusta at his first opportunity.

Mr. Haas had prepared a form for bequests. The Committee recommended that the form be sent out as a separate insert with New South and with other literature.

Discussion turned to Mr. Wright's suggestion of last December that newspaper space to solicit funds for the Council be sought. It was the feeling of the staff that the Council would strain its relationship with the press by asking for such help. Mr. Fleming pointed out that, actually, the

~~Comming~~ story of the Council's financial plight had been carried by the Associated Press and by several newspapers, notably the New York Times and the Christian Science Monitor, and that results had been rather poor. He felt that if the Council ~~continually~~ constantly turns to its ~~firm~~ friends in the press with requests for such stories, the newspapers would begin to doubt the seriousness of the financial situation.

Mr. Wright commented that he was content not to press the matter; the suggestion had been made at a time when the financial situation of the Council had been more desperate than now and when almost anything had seemed to him worth trying. With regard to the suggestion about Mr. Williams' going on the radio, he thought that ~~direct mention of the~~ a direct appeal for funds might be omitted, but that there are many thousands of people who would be reached by radio who never get any literature about the Council.

Mr. Williams thought that such a program would have to be on a national hook-up. Mr. Clement suggested invesitgating television possibilities. He mentioned ~~having heard~~ a recent Delveision show of Don McNeill on which race relations were discussed. Mrs. Hamilton agreed with him on the value of investigating television, and thought that if ~~the~~ the Council could be represented once a year on radio and once a year on television, a gradual awareness of the Council would grow. She agreed also that ~~the~~ such appearances should not be tied directly to an appeal for funds.

Dr. Charles Johnson ~~suggested~~ advocated working out a program on which a Southern governer -- perhaps Governor McMath of Arkansas -- would appear, with three or four other well-known persons to discuss the South's responsibility for its problems and its opportunities. The Council's work could ~~then~~ be described in connection with the discussion.

The suggestion, made several times in the past, of attempting to interest Town Hall in such a program was revived. Dr. Charles Johnson advo-

cated the Council's sponsoring Town Hall. Mr. Williams thought it might be possible to sponsor the program around the time of the annual meeting, so that several of the Council's leading members would be able to appear on the program.

Dr. Charles Johnson suggested, as another possible person to appear on such a program, the name of John Mason Brown, originally from Kentucky.

Mr. Wright strongly urged that Paul Williams be featured on any such radio or television program. It was his opinion that the proper person to tie the program to the Council was the head of the Council.

Dr. Mitchell and Mrs. Huff described the process which had been going on of weeding out members delinquent in dues. Dr. Clement suggested enclosing delinquency notices with New South, and that the second delinquency notice carry a note saying something like, "This New South is the last we can afford to send you." He also recommended the practice followed by some organizations of carrying at the bottom of the delinquency notice, "If you do not intend to continue your membership, please check the reason below." The list of reasons should include "Not in sympathy," "Too expensive," etc. It was his belief that checking a reason might cause some people to continue membership who would otherwise simply throw the notice away.

Mr. Christopher asked for a list of delinquent members in Knoxville so that he might write some of them.

It was the consensus of the Committee that members should be carried for two years before being dropped.

Dr. Charles Johnson urged asking present Council members to send in the names of friends they thought would be interested in joining.

The matter of the Ford Foundation appeal was brought up. ~~Mr. Wil-liams moved passing the whole matter of the appeal on to the special commit-tee.~~

On motion, duly seconded,

6. IT WAS VOTED that the Committee authorize the Special Committee to pass on the Ford Foundation appearl, with full power to act.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

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Rough draft

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

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Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, June 30, 1951, 10 A.M.

The meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council was held at the headquarters of the Y.W.C.A., 37 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Ga., June 30, 1951. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 A.M.

In the absence of both Dr. Charles Johnson, Chairman of the Executive Committee, and Paul Williams, President of the Council, Marion Wright took the chair.

The invocation was given by Mr. Trigg.

Members present were: Paul R. Christopher, Leonard Haas, Harold L. Trigg, and Marion A. Wright. Rufus E. Clement, and Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton attended for part of the meeting.

Staff members present were: Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Norma Huff, George S. Mitchell, Elizabeth Rogers, Katherine Stoney, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, and Emory Via. Mr. Galen (?) Weaver, _____, attended the meeting as a guest of Dr. Mitchell.

On motion, duly seconded,

1. IT WAS VOTED that the minutes of the last Executive Committee meeting be adopted without being read.

The Secretary-Treasurer's report was read. (Pick up).

Mrs. Huff also reported that the 50 for '51 campaign, which was aimed at securing 5,000 sustaining members, had resulted in only 227 (?).

Report of the Executive Director

The Executive Director gave a brief report on his activities since the last Executive Committee meeting. He had spoken at a session of the Association of Southern Mountain Workers, Emory University, Agnes Scott College, Georgia Tech, the Georgia Evening College, Bass and Druid Hills high schools (in Atlanta), the CIO school at Highlander Folk School, and delivered the Founders Day Address at Myles College and the Commencement Address at Gammon Theological Seminary. He had spoken at luncheon meetings of local chapters of the American Jewish Committee in Memphis, Dallas, and Houston.

Harold Fleming had worked with officials of the NAACP on public relations problems for the national convention being held in Atlanta.

Mrs. Tilly had taken a group of Church women to Charleston and sat in on the recent court case involving segregation in the Clarendon County schools.

The Executive Director reported that the Rock Hill self-survey, for which a $500 grant had been received from the NCCJ, had fallen through, and the $500 had been returned to the NCCJ. Mr. Williams was in New York currently presenting the request of the Council for renewing the grant for other purposes. A survey is in prospect at Gastonia, and one is under way at Birmingham, being operated by a hired professional staff, ~~rather than locally,~~ but using the Council's manual. The manual was sent out to all members and subscribers as the April issue of New South. The staff had felt that, although this was expensive, it would get the manual into corners of the South where it had not reached before. The manual has been selling well.

On the note to Mr. Byrd, Dr. Mitchell reported that $1500 out of the original $6,000 had been paid, and in place of the previous note, Mr. Byrd now held a note for $4500, payable ~~at the end of this year~~ Dec. 31, 1957, and cur-

rently drawing 5% interest. It was Dr. Mitchell's opinion that if some of Mr. Byrd's real estate ventures were successful he would not press the Council for payment.

Dr. Mitchell reported that the National Sharecroppers Fund has postponed payment of the remainder of its grant to the Council until fall. Negotiations with a writer have been completed for payment to him of $350 upon delivery of a pamphlet manuscript, due July 1. Dr. Mitchell hoped to be able to postpone payment until fall.

Since the last meeting, grants have been received from ILGWU ($500), Paul Williams' firm, and both the Northern and Southern Presbyterians. An application has been made to the national body of the Episcopal Church, and letters of support requested from Bishops Penick, Moody, and Walker. Paul Williams is negotiating with the Steelworkers, and thinks the money will be granted. The UAW is being asked for $1,000 when their Board meets in August; Dr..Mitchell said he felt sure of $500, and fairly sure of the $1,000. The anonymous cotton manufacturer who has contributed in the past has assured Paul Williams that he will again make a grant. Dr. Mitchell has been working with people in the various Industrial Union Councils and thinks the Council will get money from that source.

The Council is preparing to ask Southern colleges when they repoen in the fall to make the Council a beneficiary of their student community chests.

An appeal has been made to the Marshall Field Fund for help in putting out a ~~xxxxxx~~ pamphlet for police forces. The staff has felt that the time has come ~~for~~ when a job similar to that done with Race in the News can be done ~~with~~ regarding police brutality. Joe Lohman has given permission to use the material developed in his manuals for police training. The plan is to issue

a pamphlet setting out rules of behavior for police, send it to police chiefs and sheriffs throughout the South, and then get Mrs. Tilly's group of church women to do a follow-up similar to that done with Race in the News.

Another recent concern of the staff has been the matter of unequal penalties for Negroes and whites. A few days ago the American Jewish Committee sent the Council material they had compiled on European newspaper reaction to the Willie McGee case. The Council staff feels that the problem of unduly heavy sentences for some Negro offenders is only part of the more general problem, including unduly light penalties for Negro offenders against Negroes. The staff has proposed that a commission, perhaps headed by Judge Underwood, and composed of twelve or fifteen members, including leading Church figures, lawyers, etc., be set up to study the whole problem and issue a report to the South. Again, Mrs. Tilly's group of church women would do a follow-up job with the bench and bar. The staff's belief is that in five years' time there would be a change in the South.

Mrs. Tilly described her recent trip with the editor of a leading Methodist paper through mill villages in Georgia. It was her belief that some use might be made of this contact to secure additional money for the Council.

Mr. Wright asked whether it would be possible for the Secretary-Treasurer to send a monthly financial report to the members of the Executive Committee for their study between meetings. The staff agreed that this would be done.

Dr. Mitchell read his forecast of income for the remainder of the year. (Pick up)

It was his belief that unless the Ford money was granted it would be unlikely that the Council could be carried beyond the end of this year,

and perhaps not that long.

At the request of Mr. Wright, Dr. Mitchell summarized what had been done so far with the Ford appeal: the report mailed in May, the exhibits a few days later; Paul Williams' negotiations with a friend in Detroit; and the letters of support requested from leading friends of the Cojncil.

Council Reorganization

Discussion turned to the matter of reorganization of the Board of Directors. Dr. Mitchell reviewed the proposals made at the last annual meeting for collapsing the Board and Executive Committee into a single 17- or 19-man Executive Board, the ultimate governing body still to be the annual membership meeting. It was his view that the possibility of receiving the Ford money opened other possibilities. Some of the staff were of the opinion that being governed by an annual meeting put the Council in danger of being compromised. This danger would be obviated by throwing the membership to the state offices and governing the Council itself by a self-perpetuating Board, to consist of two members from each state (presumably the chairman and vice-chairman) and others to make a total of about fifty. One of the problems of the Council has always been that it had to set a pace which would suit the least advanced of the states; under the proposed set-up, each state would set its own pace. The central office would

serve as a central research organ for the states, and it was the recommendation of the staff that pay checks to state personnel be issued from the central office so that the Council would have some degree of control over the personnel in the states.

Dr. Mitchell read the lists of possible members of the Board he had drawn up for the alternative reorganization plans. (Pick up)

After some discussion, upon motion,

2. IT WAS VOTED that Mr. Williams be asked to appoint a nominating committee to prepare three lists of nominations based upon the three contingencies -- simple replacement of Board members whose terms expire this year; collapse of the Board and Executive Committee into an Executive Board and the appointment of a fifty-man Advisory Committee; or the setting up of a self-perpetuating Board.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

3. IT WAS VOTED that the Council be authorized to continue operations at the present level.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

4. IT WAS VOTED that the next annual meeting be held November 14, 1951, at ten o'clock at Atlanta University.

~~The Committee~~ It was agreed that, in accordance with recommendations made in the past, efforts should be made to secure an important speaker for the annual meeting. The Committee agreed to leave details of the meeting to the Presdient of the Council, ~~who should~~ in confer with the Executive Director, ~~on all matters~~. It was thought that, finances being slim, it would be advisable to hold the meeting in Atlanta again this year.

Staff Changes

The resignation of Mrs. Huff as Secretary-Treasurer was announced.

The Committee confirmed the appointment of Miss Katherine Stoney as Acting Secretary-Treasurer, pending her confirmation as Secretary-Treasurer at the November Board meeting. Mr. Haas moved that Mrs. Huff's resignation be accepted with great regret and warm thanks for her faithful service.

Dr. Mitchell introduced Emory Via, now acting in a temporary capacity as Research Assistant until such time as a permanent Research and Survey Assistant can be secured.

Mr. Fleming read the "Letter to Three Southern Governors" proposed for inclusion as an editorial in the next issue of New South.

At this point the meeting was adjourned for lunch.

The Committee reconvened at 1:10, and discussion turned to the Letter read by Mr. Fleming. Several minor changes were suggested. Mr. Trigg questioned the wisdom of addressing the letter directly to the governors, on the ground that it might give them unnecessary publicity; he feared that more press space would be given to their replies than to the editorial itself. After some discussion, it was decided to retain the editorial as it stood.

Mr. Christopher asked about the possibility of including some comments on segregation as the cause of the loss of young trained, educated Southerners to other sections of the country. It was his feeling also that the editorial was addressed too exclusively to the professional group, and that some effort should be made to reach the average working man. It was agreed that the economic cost of segregation should be part of some future article, and that consideration should be given to the problems of reaching a wider audience with Council publications. Mrs. Tilly urged a greater use of illustrations.

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Dr. Mitchell said that Edwin Lukas, of the American Jewish Committee, had inquired whether the Council would like to work with AJC in drafting a brief to intervene in some civil rights case which seemed suitable to the Council. It was Dr. Mitchell's feeling that the Council should remain

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clear of such collaboration and act independently in such matters. ~~It was agreed~~ The Committee approved Dr. Mitchell's proposal that he should tell Mr. Lukas that he could act only under advice of Mr. Haas on such matters.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2 P.M.

NOTES ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, OCT. 26, 1951

Mr. Williams reported that Cardinal Stritch had told him that the $1,000 he had promised to give the Council would be forthcoming later on.

There was a discussion of how a grant might be secured from the AF of L, and various people were mentioned (mainly by Mr. Christopher) as possible contacts.

Dr. Clement pointed out that the Council should be getting regular donations from Negro churches. We should get into their annual budgets, and also into the budget of the Negro Elks. Dr. Clement agreed to see what he could do about contacting Elk leaders on that matter (Mr. Wilson in Washington).

Dr. Clement said that the exhibit sent to the Ford Foundation would interest Mr. Rockefeller if he could be reached, and that he (Dr. Clement) would arrange to have an official from the Rockefeller Foundation come to the Council sometime, with a view toward interesting the Foundation in giving a large donation to the Council. It was agreed that the effort to interest the Rockefeller Foundation in a grant should be made regardless of the outcome of the Ford appeal.

Mr. Williams stated that Cardinal Stritch and Cardinal Spellman should not be asked for large sums of money in the future, as the money they had been giving us for the past three years was strictly in the nature of emergency grants, and he had promised them that this year would be the last time he would call on them. Cardinal Mr. Williams can call on other sources in the future. Archbishop G_____ of St. Louis will be kindly disposed to the Council.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting. Oct. 26, 1951. 10 A. M.

The meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council was held at the Council offices, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE, Atlanta, Georgia, October 26, 1951.

Members present were: Marion A. Wright, Leonard Haas, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Paul R. Christopher, Paul D. Williams, and Rufus E. Clement. Staff members present were: George S. Mitchell, Harold C. Fleming, Katherine Stoney, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Anne Holden, Emily Calhoun, and Mrs. Adella Shields.

Before the meeting was called to order, Dr. Mitchell gave a report on recent attempts to secure funds for establishing a Southern Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law. Members of the Commission would be distinguished Southern leaders of both races, who would be authorized to hire a small research staff to compile for them the penalties, by race, for crimes committed in various Southern States over a period of years. The Commission would then publish its findings, together with recommendations as to how these practices should be altered. Dr. Mitchell added that he had been told informally that the $6,000 to $8,000 necessary to set up such a Commission could be had--half in the North and half in the South. He further said that in November he should be able to travel out in the various States and consult as to who ought to be on the Commission.

There followed some discussion as to the possibility of having law students in various Southern States do some of the needed research. It was agreed that it would be well to investigate this possibility.

Mr. Wright presided until Mr. Williams arrived.

Mrs. Tilly gave the invocation.

Report of the Executive Director

The Executive Director introduced the following new staff members: Emily Calhoun, secretary to the Executive Director; Anna Holden, research assistant, who is to travel to various towns over the South soon on behalf of the self-survey; and Mrs. Adella Shields, membership secretary.

Items reviewed were: the plans of Mrs. Tilly for the Fellowship of the Concerned to meet with its supporters State by State, in lieu of holding a single Southwide meeting of the Fellowship this year; the status and plans of the State Divisions or cooperating Interracial Committees in Alabama, South Carolina, Arkansas, Tennessee, Louisiana, Kentucky, Florida, Georgia, and Texas; the Council's commitment to do a lengthy article in the forthcoming Negro Year Book on race relations in the South for 1950-51; the substantial commitment of time involved in entertaining and informing foreign visitors; summer travel for speaking engagements; the prospects for our getting out a pamphlet on race and law enforcement; Dr. Harry Richardson's effort, in cooperation with Mr. Benjamin Mays and Mr. A. T. Walden, in raising a substantial sum for the Council (now about $700); efforts to get campus community chests to help the Council; indications that the U. S. Treasury is tightening up on tax-exempt organizations; and the status of the Council's request to the Ford Foundation.

Additionally, Dr. Mitchell reported that Mr. Thomas F. Byrd, to whom the Council is indebted, had lately been paid $550 on principal, plus all interest for 1951. This action had reduced the Council's total indebtedness to Mr. Byrd to $3,950, and Mr. Byrd had agreed to renew the note, due December 31, 1951, for another six months. The circumstances under which the gift of $5,000 had been received through the American Friends Service Committee were reviewed; and the resignation of Mr. John H. Wheeler as Vice-President of the Council, because of inability to give what he deemed

a proper amount of time to the organization, was discussed and directed to be presented to the Board at its December meeting.

Mr. Williams reported on additional funds which he thought would be reaching the Council before the end of the year.

Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

Miss Stoney, Acting Secretary-Treasurer, after recalling that monthly statements of financial condition had been sent to members of the Executive Committee, made the following report: (See attached.)

Mr. Wright requested that the Council make every effort to reduce its indebtedness to the Executive Director (life insurance loan, $1,500).

Mr. Clement, Mr. Wright, Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Haas all offered suggestions as to further sources of support. The members of the Committee were united in wishing that the remaining copy of the exhibit prepared for the Ford Foundation should be shown to other persons who might assist the Council, and there was some feeling that an additional copy of the exhibit should be prepared.

Mr. Fleming reported on the publications and public opinion efforts of the Council, reviewing the influence of the "Letter to Three Southern Governors" and the June issue of New South on "Negro Municipal Workers."

Unfinished Business

Mr. Fleming read aloud the Statement of Policy and Aims, prepared by the staff in accordance with the suggestions of the Special Committee. It was recalled that the Executive Committee had commissioned the Special Committee on Policy to ready such a statement for the next meeting of the Board, and the views of members of the Executive Committee were requested on the statement.

A variety of detailed suggestions were made, and they will be incorporated in the altered draft to be circulated again to members of the Special Committee.

New Business

Various members discussed the alternatives for a more suitable organizational structure of the Council in the event that substantial enlargement of the Council's work should become possible, and Mr. Williams was authorized to appoint a special committee of the Executive Committee to prepare possible by-laws for consideration in that event. (After the meeting Mr. Williams appointed as members of this committee: Mr. Leonard Haas, chairman; Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton; and Mr. Gordon Hancock.)

Mr. Williams informed the Committee that it was his wish that this should be his last year as President of the Council, saying that as he had served six years, he thought it right that the responsibility move on now to other shoulders.

In a discussion of possible future reorganization of the Council, there was general agreement that if the Council finds itself in a position to assist constituent State organizations, it should not provide simple annual cash grants, but should be able to require from cooperating organizations policy conformity to the general purposes of the Council.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

January 1, 1951 to September 30, 1951

INCOME:

CHURCH SOURCES

Methodist: Boards and WSCS	$ 2,465.00	
Presbyterian Church in the U.S.	225.00	
Presbyterian Church of the USA	250.00	
Episcopal Church	515.00	
Christian Church	25.00	
		$ 3,480.00

FOUNDATIONS

Anonymously, through American Friends Service Committee	$ 5,000.00	
Sidney Hillman Fund	2,500.00	
Wm. C. Whitney Foundation	1,000.00	
Edgar Stern Fund	400.00	
Sigmund Silberman Foundation	300.00	
Samuel & Augusta Rosenwald Fund	200.00	
Christian Service Foundation	100.00	
Ashby Jones Fund	50.00	
		$ 9,550.00

ORGANIZATIONS

United Steelworkers - CIO	$ 1,000.00	
Through Atlanta A.J.C.	2,130.00	
Brown Root Co.	500.00	
International Lady Garment Workers Union	500.00	
Mentzer Bush Co.	200.00	
Emory University Community Chest	218.04	
N. C. Teachers' Assoc.	50.00	
Atlanta A.V.C.	25.00	
Prairie View Community Chest	25.00	
S.C. Federation of Women's Clubs	15.00	
Culture Club of Columbia, S. C.	10.00	
Agnes Scott Students	2.50	
		$ 4,675.54

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS	3,838.82
MEMBERS DUES	4,280.18
NEW SOUTH SUBSCRIPTIONS	367.83
MISCELLANEOUS LITERATURE SALES	817.33
HONORARIA	539.92
SALE OF OFFICE SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT	182.02
TRAVEL REFUNDS	369.64
MISCELLANEOUS	103.05
TOTAL INCOME	$ 28,204.33

SRC INCOME & EXPENSE

Jan. 1-Sept. 30
1951

EXPENSE:

SALARIES	$ 18,280.30
SOCIAL SECURITY (Cost to Council)	227.40
RENT	1,170.00
PRINTING	1,096.40
POSTAGE	462.08
OFFICE SUPPLIES	753.98
TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH	583.72
TRAVEL	2,151.66
LOANS PAYABLE	1,500.00
BOOKS & SUBSCRIPTIONS	147.48
SPECIAL SERVICES	75.00
AUDIT	185.00
MEETING EXPENSE	44.85
INSURANCE	42.82
GEORGIA SALES TAX	4.72
BANK CHARGES	8.31
MISCELLANEOUS	21.34
PAID TO STATE DIVISIONS	1,269.25
TOTAL EXPENSE	$ 28,289.91

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1951

LOANS PAYABLE

George S. Mitchell	$1,500.00	
Thomas F. Byrd	4,500.00	
		$ 6,000.00

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Elliott Addressing Machine Co.		6.30	
Office Supply Co.		7.83	
Mimeograph Co.		11.22	
Southern Bell Tel. Co.		61.20	
Western Union Co.		1.06	
Georgia Sales Tax		1.28	
To State Divisions:			
Alabama	20.00		
Florida	7.50		
Louisiana	6.50		
Mississippi	3.00		
N. O. Com.	5.00		
N. C.	11.50		
S. C.	1.50		
Tenn.	27.00		
		82.00	
			170.89
TOTAL			$ 6.170.89

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL SPECIAL FUNDS

January 1 - September 30, 1951

APPROPRIATION FOR NEW SOUTH

Received for fund	$ 2,500.00	
Interest earned	9.37	
		2,509.37
Disbursements		
Printing	$ 1,745.87	
Postage	265.60	
		2,011.47
	Balance in fund	$ 497.90

NATIONAL SHARECROPPERS - Fund for pamphlet

Received for fund		400.00
Disbursements		
G.S. Mitchell, salary	50.00	
Chas. Mangum for MS	100.00	
Albert Cotton for MS	170.00	
Albert Cotton, travel	55.48	
Albert Cotton, conf. fee	10.00	
Misc.	3.30	
		388.78
	Balance in fund	$ 11.22

HOME TOWN SELF SURVEY PAMPHLET

Received for fund		
Alfred Starr	$ 100.00	
M. Ascoli Fund	500.00	
Elizabeth Stein	400.00	
Anti-Defamation League	500.00	
Anonymous	1,000.00	
		$ 2,500.00
Disbursements		
Salaries	$ 1,111.51	
Printing	1,000.00	
Travel	49.00	
		2,160.51
	Balance in fund	$ 339.49

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED

Receipts		
R. A. Dowling	100.00	
Contribution	10.00	
W. M. Hanner	5.00	
Collection, Mrs. Tilly's trip to Pa.	250.00	
Independent Aid	1,000.00	
Travel refund	46.18	
		1,401.18
Disbursements		
Salaries, Mrs. Tilly and other	388.00	
Travel	464.39	
Postage, supplies, etc.	36.26	
Court record	54.80	
		943.45
		457.73
Balance from 1950		12.23
		$ 469.96

COMPARATIVE FIGURES - RECEIPTS

	1950	1951
Contributions	$ 25,369.44	$ 21,544.36
Dues (includes part to State Divisions)	4,316.55	4,280.18
New South Subscriptions	372.94	367.83
Sale of Misc. Literature	669.57	817.33
Honoraria	486.76	539.92
Misc. (postage, sale of supplies, etc.)	595.58	654.71
	$ 31,810.84	$ 28,204.33

Special grant received from National Conference of Christians and Jews for travel in connection with Home Town Self Survey $500.00
No disbursements made as of October 30, 1951

Little Rock, Arkansas
December 10, 1951

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:-

As it will be impossible for me to attend the annual meeting on December 12th, I respectfully request that the bearer, our secretary, Mr. Charles Walker, be seated and be given the privilege of voice and vote in the meeting, in my place.

With best wishes for a pleasant and profitable meeting, I remain

Sincerely yours

W. W. Wilke

W. W. Wilke, President
Arkansas Division
Southern Regional Council

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

December ~~11~~ 12, 1951

The Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council met at 10:10 A. M., December ~~11~~ 12, 1951, in the Conference Room of the Administration Building, Atlanta University. Mr. Paul D. Williams, president, presided. Dr. Gordon Hancock gave the invocation.

The following members were present:

Mr. Paul D. Williams
Mr. Leonard Haas
Rev. John Long
Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Mr. Marion A. Wright
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
~~Dr. Jos. D. Brittel~~
Mr. J. M. Dabbs
Mr. Paul R. Christopher
Mr. A. T. Butler
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
Dr. Harold L. Trigg
Mr. John Griffin
Dr. Forrester B. Washington
Mr. C. H. Parrish
Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Mr. Arthur W. Mitchell
Rev. L. J. Twomey
Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Mr. R. D. Wellons
Mrs. E. U. Robinson
Rev. D. Swan Haworth
Dr. A. W. Dent
Dr. Benjamin Mays

The following staff members were present:

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Miss Katherine Stoney
Miss Anna Holden
Miss Emily Calhoun

It was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

At the request of Mr. Williams, Mr. Marion A. Wright read the report of the Executive Committee to the Board of Directors. Upon motion, duly seconded, the report of the Executive Committee was accepted.

Miss Stoney gave the report of the secretary-treasurer, as follows: (See attached sheets.) She pointed out that the Council had reduced its indebtedness considerably during the past year, but that there was very little money left to meet expenses for this month. She further reported that members who had not paid dues for two years were being dropped after every effort had been made to get them to renew their membership. Current members number 1836, including 1541 single and 295 joint members. There were 225 new members this year. Of the total, 193 live out of the South, and 9 are in other countries. Georgia has

the largest number of members of any State. New York has the largest number out of the South. [redacted] 219 individuals sent in contributions of ten dollars or more. Twenty-seven of these were from the South. Less money was received from individual contributions this year than last year.

Report of the Executive Director. Dr. Mitchell reported first on subjects discussed in New South during the year.

1. Enlarging democratic processes in government in the South. This included [redacted] enlarging the electorate and getting more Negro persons to serve on both elective and appointive governmental bodies--local, State, and [redacted] national.

2. Safety of the person[redacted]. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that there has been a decline of mob lynching and its transposition into police violence against arrested persons.

3. Negro police. Their number in Southern cities is increasing.

4. Fellowship of the Concerned. [redacted]

5. Segregation in the schools and colleges. We have tried to lay the law on that matter before the South and get it discussed.

6. Housing. The South is making very rapid gains in every field except Negro housing. The Korean War has been largely responsible for the failure to bring about marked improvements in Negro housing. In the last ten years the poorer parts of the white South have been rehoused, but the Negroes have not.

7. What is actually happening on the land in the South? Nobody seems to know much about this. An article appearing in New South by Ernest [redacted] Neal and Lewis Jones of Tuskegee throws some light on the subject.

The executive director next reported on the self-survey manual, stating that it had sold widely and had received [redacted] a good deal of notice. He spoke of the [redacted] slow rate at which towns are taking up the self-survey method. Shreveport is [redacted] now doing a survey such as the manual recommends. Dallas has done a small survey, in which they made some use of the manual, but

it was not the kind of survey recommended in the manual. Three or four small towns over the South have done parts of the survey, but we haven't yet found ways of getting considerable communities to undertake the survey. Dr. Mitchell added that the Council would continue to push this project; that the research assistant was contacting people about it.

The executive director next reported on the work of the State Divisions of the Southern Regional Council., pointing out that they were weak and lacked paid personnel, and that they met effectively only once a year. He added that they could become effective if they had paid personnel. Mississippi, Florida, South Carolina, Alabama and Kentucky have all met this year. The Arkansas Division shows signs of life. Representatives from The Texas Interracial Commission conferred recently with the SRC and told of plans to raise money within the State in order to put on paid personnel. The Virginia committee continues to have one paid worker. The North Carolina committee is now a State Division of the SRC, but it hasn't met for two years. The Tennessee Division has ceased to function, and has turned its funds over to the SRC to hold in trust for them. The Louisiana Division is hopeful. Dr. Mitchell concluded by pointing out that there was an interracial organization, either a part of the Council or affiliated with the Council, in every Southern State except Oklahoma, and that they could all become active if enough money were available.

The executive director next outlined various activities the Council hoped to undertake the following year.

1. The pamphlet on farm land tenure. We have a manuscript for the pamphlet and it is now being revised, but no money has been received from the National Sharecroppers Fund to have it printed.

2. The police manual. Plans are being made to publish as an issue of New South early next year a manual showing how police ought to behave. Mrs. Tilly will get her people in the Fellowship of the Concerned to talk with their local law enforcement officers and show them the pamphlet.

3. Investigation of inequalities of the school systems of the South. The Council recently recived a request for information regarding inequalities in the white and Negro schools. If we had the money, we could get this useful information.

4. Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law. Last summer Ed Lukas of the American Jewish Committee sent to the Council a memorandum giving reactions in the European press to the execution of Willie McGee. Lukas suggested that the Council do something about the Willie McGee type cases, where penalties are meted out to lawbreakers on the basis of race. Dr. Mitchell went on to add that there are two problems involved in unequal penalties: (1) the flaring and dramatic cases of unequal penalties for serious crimes (Scottsboro, Willie McGee, etc.). (2) The practice of Southern courts of awarding unequal penalties by race for lesser offenses. Property owned by Negroes is not adequately protected because of the practice of awarding light penalties for offenses of Negroes against Negroes. The attitude of Southern courts perpetuates a stereotype of the clownish Negro, by awarding light penalties to the Negro lawbreaker who puts on a clownish act in the court room.

The Council would like to convene an independent, Southwide Commission on Equal Penalties; have it engage a small research staff for a few months to compile the record on penalties by race for various crimes in different Southern States and cities. The Commission would then publish its findings, together with recommendations for awarding equal penalties. Dr. Mitchell added that he thought that within about five years such a report would bring about a definite change in Southern courts of law.

Father Twomey--" What kinds of crimes would you want to investigate?"

GSM--"Murder, rape, grand larceny."

Father Twomey said he would get the Loyola Law School to do that.

Dr. Mitchell said that the Council hoped to get many Southern law schools to do research of this kind and have their findings published in law journals. This information could then be handed to the Commission on Equal Penalties, and it could incorporate the information in its report.

Father Twomey--"I think we can assure you whatever you want us to do, we can do it."

Dr. Dent--"It is possible to find good research potential in faculties not necessarily in law schools. We ought to use as many avenues as possible.

Dr. Guy Johnson told of a study made at the University of North Carolina on homicide indictments over a period of ten years in eight or ten North Carolina counties. This included a study of penalties awarded to Negro offenders against other Negroes; Negro offenders against whites; whites against Negroes; and whites against other whites. Dr. Johnson spoke of what a time-consuming task it was to break down the cases into offender and victim. Mr. Williams pointed out that the survey made in North Carolina would also be helpful to the Commission.

Father Twomey--"Well chosen samples will save us from having to review every case. In order to simplify the matter, if you were to restrict your survey to New Orleans, you could get a good picture. Would that do any good?"

Paul Williams-- "I think we need one in several other cities."

GSM--In order to convince the whole South, you must do surveys in about five cities, scattered over the South, and also in about five smaller towns. This will cost between $6,000 and $10,000. We have already got in the treasury a check for $1,000, and we have been promised a thousand dollars. Both of these are contingent upon the money being matched in the South.

Father Twomey--"How much of the expenses will you pay if we do a survey in New Orleans?"

GSM--"I will match you, dollar for dollar.

Dr. Dent--Pointed out that the tenure of the judges and the extent to which the Negroes vote are very important factors in these cases.

Dr. Clement--"Don't confine this to five or six cities. You should include every State. You have a law school in every State and also a university. Graduate students could do theses on this. You should take the key city in the State and the rural area with a large Negro population. . . .
Find out what is the rural attitude, what is the urban attitude, in each State. See whether the tenure of the judges and the Negro participation in the ballot has anything to do with this.

Father Twomey--"These are more sociological than legal. Don't you want just

a powerful statement of fact? We should concern ourselves with this first. What are the facts? rather than what are the causes? Later a sociological interpretation of the facts should be given.

Dr. Dent--"I'm not concerned with just getting the facts. I'm concerned with doing something about it. To do that, we must know the causes. Just to know that it's happening won't help us any. We can combine the legal and sociological aspects of the study."

Father Twomey--"We did a job in regard to segregation ordinances, purely factual. This did a lot of good. On the basis of those findings a lot of good was done in a sociological way.

Mr. Williams--Pointed out that the Commission would decide such matters. Mr. Williams then asked Dr. Mitchell to mention something about the make-up of the Commission.

Dr. Mitchell--"There is an individual in Atlanta who may give us $6,000 more to do it. I would dearly like for some Negro person to put up $1,000 in the South."

Father Twomey--"Maybe I can get that for you. I have a very definite Negro individual in mind." Somebody suggested that the money could be obtained from Mr. Spalding.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that the Commission would be completely independent. The SRC would pick the members and then leave them to draw their own conclusions. There are many people whose opinions would carry much weight but who don't go as far as the Council in its attitude on segregation. Dr. Mitchell would favor putting some of these people on the Commission--people who believe in segregation and want it to be administered fairly. "We would sort out the people who would carry the greatest weight."

Various people were suggested to serve on the Commission, including Judge Parker, Barry Bingham, Colgate Darden, Ralph McGill.

Upon motion, duly seconded, it was voted to direct the Executive Director to proceed to raise such funds as he can to conduct in the South a Commission on Equal Penalties in the Courts, upon such terms as the Commission may determine.

It was also voted that the Executive Committee be directed to make the appointment of personnel for the Commission, within their discretion. The Executive Committee would be free to set up the number, etc.

Somebody asked whether the study of equal penalties would include various cities in each of the States. Mr. Williams pointed out that it would be up to the Commission to determine how broad the study would be.

A. W. Dent--To whom will the Commission report? It should be permitted to report directly to the people, not to or through the SRC. We should state that to the Commission. Dr. Clement--A thing like this is only good if it gets widespread publicity. What we want to do is get action. We want the knowledge to be the common property of the people of the South. We do have a responsibility to get the thing spread around. There ought to be an obligation of the Commission to report to the Council so that we can push it.

Dr. Dent--What I had in mind was simply the authorization of the report. I had in mind that the Commission writes the report out of its own mind.

Dr. Clement--It is going to be the job of the SRC to distribute it.

Dr. Mitchell--Each member of the Commission, if rightly chosen, would be a great pyramid of influence. Mrs. Tilly's church women will have a tremendous influence in local communities.

Mr. Williams--The Commi ssion would do something like Race in the News and get local people to show it to judges, etc.

Dr. Hancock--When this report is first announced it will make big news and the newspapers will take it up. Later the Council can push it.

Mr. Wright--We summarized the report of President Truman's Committee on Civil Rights. We can do this with the Commission's report. Once it is published, it is public property. We can summarize it and do what we want with it.

Dr. Mitchell--It is the duty of the Commission to ding-dong this for the next five years.

Dr. Washington--It is the sense of this Board that the Commission should study typical communities. There should be some urban, some rural, and some semi-rural communities.

Mr. Williams--I think we have a perfect right to give the directive to the group.

Father Twomey-- It seems to me that we could have sufficient confidence in the people selected for this group to leave that up to the discretion of Dr. Mitchell and the group that might be chosen.

Mr. Wright--There is a motion that the Executive Committee be authorized to appoint the Commission. It was voted to do this.

The executive director next reported on the status of the appeal to the Ford Foundation, saying that he was satisfied that the Ford Foundation was treating the Council's application very seriously, and that the Foundation had been informed that we need a decision pretty soon. Mr. Griffin read a letter from Mr. Nims, executive associate of Dr. Hutchins, [redacted] to Dr. Colwell, of Emory University, in answer to a letter and personal conversation Dr. Colwell had had with Dr. Hutchins.

Dr. Mitchell called Board members' attention to the financial plight of the Council during the forthcoming year in the event that the Ford appeal is not successful. "We will have available $17,500 if the people who have been supporting us continue to support us. Next year's budget is about $40,000. Even to continue the Council as ineffectively as it is, we would have only half the money. I would not be willing to recommend that we carry on for another year under those conditions. We spend [redacted] more time raising money and less time doing our job."

Mr. Williams--Are you including a continuation of the labor support?

Dr. Mitchell--I put that down for $2,000.

Mr. Williams--I think we will get more. I think we can depend on as much labor support next year as we had this year ($5,000), and maybe more.

Dr. Mitchell—We have only half as much as we need for next year. I am not willing to recommend to you that you carry on for any long time like we have been doing.

There followed a discussion of sources of other considerable money. Mr. Williams said that he had had a hint that if the Ford Foundation doesn't help us, maybe somebody else will.

"This Council is now at the point where we ought either to go on to much bigger things or admit that it can't be done."

Mr. Williams—Except for the loyalty and sacrifices of a dozen members, the SRC would have long since been liquidated.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that there was not sufficient money in the treasury to meet the two payrolls for December.

Father Twomey asked if anybody had any suggestions as to untapped possible sources of revenue. "I wonder whether the urgency of the matter has been sufficiently brought home to ourselves?" Suggested that men like Dr. Bunche, Sam Jethro should be contacted. "We should try to put over to them that this is a problem of utmost urgency."

There was a suggestion of Mrs. Putnam, who finances Negro scholarships; George Hutton in New York; Mr. LaFarge in New York.

Mr. Williams pointed out that those people were having great struggles in their work too, but added that Ralph Bunche might be able to steer us to the right people.

Father Twomey raised the possibility of approaching the Carnegie Foundation for money. Mr. Williams explained that he had already had a conference with them, without results. He told of the considerable expenditure of time in other efforts to secure funds from various individuals and organizations.

Mr. Davidson—"It is absolutely vital to get this grant from the Ford Foundation. What has been done to make them realize the urgency of the situation?"

Mr. Williams reviewed the steps that had gone into the preparation of the appeal to the

Ford Foundation, adding that an exhibit was sent with the appeal. He also told of trips made by himself, Dr. Mitchell, and Dr. Charles Johnson on behalf of the appeal, and of the letters written by various influential people on behalf of the Council.

One member reported that he got the impression that the determination of the Ford Foundation would result on what the general policy-making Board determines shall be the kind of policy in the general area in which the SRC is included. There is a rumor that the Ford Foundation will not put money into Negro education as such, but is trying to put money into organizations or agencies where Negroes are being intergrated in those organizations.

Dr. Washington asked what we would do about meeting the payroll in a few days, and suggested that the Council be authorized to borrow money for that purpose. Dr. Washington also suggested that we get in contact with groups that are concerned about the McGee case and similar occurences, point out to them that here is an organization that is trying to lick America's most serious problem, and solicit their financial aid.

There was a suggestion that we contact the numerous Congressmen who are going abroad now. Many of them have their eyes open concerning race matters. And some of them would be in a position to respond to the right kind of appeal.

Dr. Mays--We have only two immediate choices; (1) Borrow the money, or (2) see whether members of the Board might assume the responsibility themselves. Asked that each member assume responsibility for collecting $100 within the next few days.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that at a previous Board meeting when a similar suggestion had been made Msgr. McNamara had said that it was the job of the Board to raise large sums of money, and that if they thought that they would be called upon to give $100 every time they came to a meeting, they would stop coming.

Mr. Haas said he didn't think the Board should be discouraged because no word had been received from the Ford Foundation. He mentioned an article about the Foundation in the December 1951 issue of Harpers Magazine, in which the Foundation's dila-

tory tactics in passing on requests were described. "If we can tide over for the next two or three months, I think our chances are good."

There was a suggestion that the Board authorize the executive director to borrow $2,000 in December and $2,000 in January, but the idea was abandoned in view of the fact that the Council would have no security to offer.

Father Twomey suggested that Senator Humphrey of Minnesota might help the SRC. Mr. Williams said he didn't think Senator Humphrey would be a good person, but that Senator Kefauver might. Mr. Washington suggested that Senator Russell might help.

Mr. Williams pointed out that the Council could not afford to have many connections with politicians because it must retain its tax-exempt status, and for that reason no effort has been made to put political leaders on the Board.

There was a suggestion that we have Senator Russell or Senator Kefauver write the Ford Foundation or that we take some other appropriate action to have the Council's appeal moved up on the agenda.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out that in the summer SRC had a gift of $5,000 from the American Friends Service Committee, which had come originally from the Ford Foundation. and with the consent of the Ford Foundation officials.

Father Twomey asked what was said in the Ford appeal. Dr. Mitchell and Mr. Williams explained that it was proposed to set up a five-year program especially devoted to strengthening the State divisions and doing research in the main office to tie it all together.

Mr. Williams suggested that the General Education Board be appealed to again. Dr. Clement said that the General Education Board will probalby not continue to exist much longer. Dr. Clement told of his conversation with an official of the Rockefeller Foundation, reporting that he told the official that either Mr. Rockefeller personally or the Foundation should take over the Council. Dr. Clement also told the official that he wanted him to talk to Dr. Mitchell, adding that he (Dr. Clement) was going to New York in a few days and would see about the appointment.

There was some mention of Christianson using his influence to help the SRC. It was pointed out that Dean Rusk is a native Georgian and the president of the Rockefeller Foundation, and that we should approach him. Mr. Williams pointed out that Gordon Gray knew him and asked if he would be willing to go "all out." Dr. Johnson said he didn't know. Dr. Wellons said that his son worked under Rusk in the State Department, but he didn't know how influential he would be.

The meeting adjourned to meet again after lunch.

In opening the meeting after lunch, Mr. Williams said that several members had requested copies of the appeal to the Ford Foundation, and that such copies were available.

The discussion on possible sources of revenue continued. Mr. Christopher pointed out that we would get some results from the letter that Allan Haywood sent out a few weeks ago to all State Industrial Union Councils and local committees, suggesting that they give some money to SRC. Mr. Williams asked how much money we could expect from this. Mr. Christopher said we could expect at least $1,000 and maybe $2,000.

Mr. Williams read a letter from Cardinal Stritch, saying that he would send the Council $1,000 as soon as he can get it. Mr. Williams also read a letter from William Green of the AF of L, in answer to a letter Mr. Williams had written him. Mr. Green said that he couldn't send the Council any money at this time because of financial difficulties in the AF of L. Mr Williams added that he thought $1,000 would be forthcoming from the AF of L within the year 1952.

Mr. Williams implored members to approach friends and friends of friends for donations, both large and small, even at the risk of personal embarrassment.

Mr. Butler produced $128 that he had collected from friends of his.

Mr. Fleming reported on publicity received by the Council in the past year. "We have had the publications Dr. Mitchell told you about, plus "Safety and Security in the South," and various speeches, mostly by Dr. Mitchell and Mrs. Tilly, and meetings of State Divisions. We have had a number of special wire service stories. We can take it for granted that the Council and its activities are newsworthy. If we can get the money to do things, we will have no trouble in getting news

published. We have had 12 wire service stories. These are important because they get very wide circulation. Most of these were Associated Press. The best play we got was in the "Letter to Three Southern Governors" in June. The Council's publicity can be credited in considerable part to the friendship and interest of newspaper people in our work. Mr. Fleming pointed out that it was decided not to seek publicity at the annual meetings this year because of the confidential nature of some of the topics to be discussed. He added that there would be samples of the publicity received through the year at the annual meeting December 13.

Mr. Williams called for the report of the Special Committee on Policy and Program, pointing out that as a result of a decision of the annual meeting last year the Committee was appointed to draw up a statement of policy and aims, which the Board could accept or reject or alter. Mr. Williams added that it was decided that this should not be a detailed statement, as the detailed statement was included in the Ford appeal. Mr. Wright read the proposed statement in the absence of the chairman of the Committee, Dr. Charles Johnson.

After some discussion, it was decided to accept the statement with certain minor changes, the most important of which was the insertion at the end of the next to the last paragraph of the phrase "in recognition of his creation in God's image." This was done after Rabbi Mantinband suggested that we include some religious appeal in the statement, as he believed that would appeal to more people in the South. Mr. Wright did not entirely agree. He pointed out that we are trying to appeal to everybody in the South who wants a square deal for every man, white or colored. There may be people in the South who want this who would not subscribe to the ideals of the Jewish or Christian religion. "If there should be a practicing agnostic who agrees with us, I would welcome him into the fold."

Father Twomey—Democracy has meaning only in regard to its principles, as stated in the second paragraph of the Declaration of Independence. If we are not going to respect that minimum, we have placed ourselves in a philosophical position in no way better than Communism. We are aiming at a

position in society that will acknowledge man's dignity, but we shouldn't let it rest on a vacuous, innocuous base. It must rest on a base that includes at least the principles expressed in the second paragraph of the Declaration of Independence.

Dr. Clement--Agreed with Rabbi Mantinband and Father Twomey. "We must realize that the American ideal of democracy is rooted in Judeo-Christian ethics."

Mr. Dabbs agreed that democracy rests on the Judeo-Christian tradition, but did not agree that a statement to that effect should be included in the statement of policy. "It seems to me that you are dragging in something here that shouldn't be here."

It was voted to accept the statement, with the various recommended changes.

The Executive director next reported on possible changes in the by-laws, in regard to the election of Board members. There are three choices: (1) Strip the Board down to a single, small Executive Board, to serve in place of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee; (2) Shift it over into a single, self-perpetuating Board, with the membership of the Council belonging to State organizations; (3) either elect the present Board up to its full strength of 70 members or elect a few and increase it to 50 or 60 members. Dr. Mitchell added that a resolution had been prepared in case the Board voted to accept the second plan.

Mr. Haworth--How would the small group under the first plan be decided upon?

Dr. Mitchell--By a nominating committee.

Dr. Mitchell suggested that the membership of the Board be kept up to about 50 or 60 people, but that the Board and membership adopt the resolution approving of Plan 2 incase the Ford money comes.

Mr. Williams said he wouldn't want the State organizations to rob the Council of its membership. We should have a regional organization. It was pointed out that people would be more likely to join strong State organizations than they would a central organization. Several members felt that a self-perpetuating Board would be undemocratic, and for that reason did not favor it. Dr. Mitchell pointed

out that under the present form of organization, the ultimate governing body is the annual membership meeting. In the event that the Ford money is forthcoming, "you would be giving to a miscellaneous membership assembling once a year ultimate authority over a very large sum of money, and I think it is a dangerous thing to do." Rabbi Mantinband pointed out that every precaution should be taken to see that the money was wisely and well spent. Some of the members felt that the Ford Foundation would not give a large sum of money unless they were pretty sure of who would be in control of it and how it would be spent. It was pointed out that the democratic process would extend to the self-perpetuating Board by allowing each State organization to elect one representative to the Board. The Board would consist of about fifty people, but not more than seventeen of them would be from State organizations.

Father Twomey--How will this Board be chosen to begin with?

Dr. Mitchell--I would take over the whole of the present Board.
At this point Dr. Mitchell read the resolution.
Dr. Parrish--How would the Southern Regional Council direct the spending of money in the States?

Dr. Mitchell--All State officers would be paid from a central office, so that money could be withheld from any State organization that was not carrying out the aims set up by the central organization.

Dr. Clement--The State members of the Board would be regular members with voice and vote?

Dr. Mitchell--Yes.

~~It was voted to recommend to the membership meeting Dec. 13 that they approve the resolution, including the shifting of membership in the Council to State organizations in the event that the Ford money comes to the Council.~~

It was voted to approve the resolution, with a few minor changes, recommend to the membership meeting December 13 that they adopt the resolution, including the shifting of membership in the Council to State organizations, and the setting up of a self-perpetuating Board, in the event that the Ford money comes to the Council.

The Board next took up the matter of election and confirmation of the staff. Miss Stoney was confirmed as secretary-treasurer, and other staff members were

elected. It was voted to raise the salaries of the secretary-treasurer, director of information, and research assistant, effective January 1, 1952. It was also voted to increase the salary of the Executive director at such time as the finances of the corporation make it possible. The president was to appoint a committee of three from the Executive Committee to determine the increase and put it in effect.

Mr. Williams announced his retirement as president of the Coundil, pointing out that he had served in that capacity for six years and that it was only right that the job of president should rotate. He added that he would continue to support the organization, by helping raise money and in other way that he could, and that after 1952 he would be glad to serve in any capacity the Board might propose.

Dr. Clement moved an expression of appreciation to Mr. Williams by a standing vote of thanks. This was done.

Several members expressed concern as to who would assume leadership of the Council during the next year. It was agreed that the nominating committee would meet at 9:30 the following morning in the staff room of the library to prepare a list of nominations to submit to the membership at the annual meeting. In the absence of Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie from the city, Dr. Dent agreed to act as chairman of the nominating committee. Others serving on the committee were: Mr. Glenn Rainey, Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Mrs. E. U. Robinson, Dr. Guy Johnson, and Dr. Hancock. Dr. Mitchell and Mr. Williams were also to meet with the committee.

Dr. Mitchell read a letter he had received from Mr. John Wheeler in the fall announcing his resignation as vice president of the Council. It was voted to accept the resignation, with regret.

Father Twomey made the following suggestion in regard to police brutality: Board members should get in touch with men in their own communities who would be willing to defend Negroes who are unjustly treated. We might get five men in each community who would be willing to do this.

Father Twomey also called members' attention to an article on the Negro vote in the South, appearing in the current issue of New Leader, in which the author ~~estimates that there are going to be approximately three million Negro voters out of a possible five million~~ points out that the Negro vote will become increasingly important. Father Twomey ~~say~~ said that we should consider ~~be~~ doing our part toward directing that vote. "I can think of five lawyers I know whom I could get to go to the polls and see that Negroes get their constitutional rights. This work will not cost much, or maybe not anything. The white lawyers will volunteer their services." Father Twomey said he ~~be~~ was going to round up at least five lawyers to see to it that the Negroes are not deprived of their constitutional rights at the polls, and he hoped other Board members would do the same. Dr. Mitchell suggested that he do that as head of the Louisiana Division.

It was agreed to have the Statement of Policy and Aims printed in New South and given out to the public.

Mr. Williams closed the meeting ~~with~~ by urging members not to give up hope for the Council and to be as optimistic as possible at the membership meeting.

	BUDGET FOR 1951*	ESTIMATED EXPENSE FOR 1951**	PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1952
Salaries	23,920.	22,812.03	26,200.
Social Security		263.76	300.
Rent	1,560.	1,560.00	1,560.
Printing	4,500.	4,673.67	5,000.
Travel	4,400.	3,331.12	4,000.
Office Supplies	1,300.	850.66	1,000.
Postage	1,300	893.54	1,100.
Telephone & Telegraph	800.	780.75	900.
Books & Subscriptions		156.58	175.
Audit	135.	272.50	150.
Interest Expense	325.	302.51	200.
Meeting Expense	50.	51.85	50.
Miscellaneous	410.	155.00	200.
	38,700	36,103.97	40,835.

* As revised and approved by Executive Committee, Feb. 1951

** 11 months actual, 12th month estimated

The proposed budget for 1952 contemplates a per-month expenditure of	$3,400.00
Estimated revenue in sight for 1952 is $17,500 or a per-month revenue of	1,400.00
Estimated monthly short-fall	$2,000.00

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Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

December 12, 1951

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council was held in the Conference Room of the Administration Building, Atlanta University, at 10:10 a. m., Wednesday, December 12, 1951. Mr. Paul D. Williams, president, presided. Dr. Gordon Hancock gave the invocation.

The following members were present:

Mr. Paul D. Williams
Mr. Leonard Haas
Rev. John Long
Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Mr. Marion A. Wright
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
Mr. J. M. Dabbs
Mr. Paul R. Christopher
Mr. A. T. Butler
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
Dr. Harold L. Trigg
Mr. John Griffin
Dr. Forrester B. Washington
Mr. C. H. Parrish
Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Mr. Arthur W. Mitchell
Rev. L. J. Twomey
Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Mr. R. D. Wellons
Mrs. E. U. Robinson
Rev. D. Swan Haworth
Dr. A. W. Dent
Dr. Benjamin Mays

The following staff members were present:

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Miss Katherine Stoney
Miss Anna Holden
Miss Emily Calhoun

On motion, It was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

At the request of Mr. Williams, Mr. Wright read the attached report of the Executive Committee to the Board of Directors. ~~(See attached.)~~ On motion, It was voted to approve the report of the Executive Committee.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

The acting secretary-treasurer, Miss Katherine Stoney, gave the attached report. She pointed out the substantial reduction of indebtedness during the past year.

Current membership was given at 1,836, including 1,541 single and 295 joint members. New members during 1951 totaled 225. On the ten-dollar membership campaign

a total of 219 individuals had sent in contributions of that amount or more during the year.

Members are now being dropped if dues are unpaid for a total of two years, though every effort is made to get them to renew their membership.

NEW SOUTH
~~EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT~~

The Executive Director reviewed the principal topics covered in New South during the year as an index to the Council's interests and activities. Much attention had been given to enlarging democratic practices in government in the South; to safety of the person; to police matters; to the breakdown of segregation in the colleges; to housing; to agricultural problems; and to the work of the Fellowship of the Concerned.

Dr. Mitchell gave as the conclusion of three years of effort with the self-survey method that, to the staff's surprise, it is easier to get good-sized cities to do surveys than to get small towns to take it up. ¶ Some review was made of the status of the State Divisions, which have shown most activity in Mississippi, South Carolina, Alabama, and Florida. ¶ Then Dr. Mitchell reported on conferences with representatives of the Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation, who plan to raise money for paid staff and push their program, in continued association with the Southern Regional Council.

STATE DIVS + AFFIL. COMMS.

The Tennessee Division, it was reported, has ceased to function, but has not been formally dissolved. The Southern Regional Council retains at the Atlanta office a sum of $218, held in trust for the Tennessee Division. By authorization of the chairman of the Division, one-half of the dues from Tennessee members is no longer deducted for the Tennessee Division.

COMMISSION ON EQUAL PENALTIES IN COURTS OF LAW

On future program, whether or not substantial new support is found, the Executive Director recommended that we get out a police manual and bring to bear our friendly connections over the South to improve through its use police practices; ¶ The Exec Dir proposed that we impanel a Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of

MANUAL ON POLICE PRACTICES

Law, with a view to getting a widespread movement in the South to drop the old discriminatory practices.

Father Twomey, Mr. Dent, Mr. Clement, Mr. Williams, and others made helpful suggestions as to a Commission on Equal Penalties, and on motion, it was voted that the Executive Director proceed to raise such funds as might be obtainable to conduct in the South a Commission on Equal Penalties in the Courts, upon such terms as the Commission may determine.

Upon motion, it was further voted that the Executive Committee be empowered to make the appointment of personnel for the Commission, the Executive Committee being free to establish the number of members of the Commission.

FINANCIAL POSSIBILITIES

Dr. Mitchell discussed with the Board the prospects for substantial foundation aid. He pointed out that without such aid it would be exceedingly difficult to carry forward the Council's work in the coming year. "We have now completed," he said, "two full years without any substantial backlog of foundation support; and the problem of raising the funds needed to keep the organization, even at its present level, becomes increasingly difficult. For the coming year we can foresee as expectable income no more than $17,500, and the organization cannot keep going usefully on less than about $40,000 for the next year."

Mr. Williams, Father Twomey, Mr. Davidson, Dr. Washington, Dr. Mays, Mr. Haas, Mr. Wellons, Dr. Johnson, and others discussed ways of raising money. Several speakers emphasized the value of obtaining additional contributions from labor sources. The executive director stated that he had estimated probable receipts from labor next year at $2,000, but was hopeful that more than that could be obtained.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

Mr. Fleming reported on news coverage during the year of the Council's activities. In addition to routine coverage of various Council events, he reported that we had had widespread wire service coverage of some twelve major stories during the year. The greatest attention had been given to the "Letter to Three Southern

Governors," published in New South in June. Mr. Fleming gave it as his view that the Council's publicity can be credited in considerable part to the friendship and interest of newspaper people in our work.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON POLICY AND PROGRAM

Mr. Williams called on Mr. Wright to read the report of the Special Committee on Policy and Program, appointed at the direction of the 1950 annual meeting.

The Statement submitted by the Special Committee was discussed at some length and approved by the Board in the attached form.

POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

The Executive Director laid before the Board the alternatives as to amendments to the by-laws to accomplish any desired change in the governing bodies of the Council. He described these as: (1) Reducing the Board to a single, small Executive Board to serve in place of both the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee; (2) Bringing the Board up to full strength under the present by-laws, and by amendment to the by-laws constitute the Board as a self-perpetuating body, it to be the Southern Regional Council. In that event, the present members of the Council, other than Board members, would become members of their appropriate State organizations, which would be affiliated with the Council but would lose policy control over the Board of Directors of SRC. (3) As an intermediate stage, it might be possible to constitute a small Executive Board with a seventy-man Advisory Committee. In the event of future reorganization like that given under (2), above, the Advisory Committee might become the Board of Directors, which in turn might select some such body as the Executive Board for its interim business. (4) Proceed for the time being without major changes, and either bring the Board of Directors under the present by-laws up to its full strength of 72 elected members, or merely fill ten or a dozen of the existing vacancies.

After discussion of the various proposals, Dr. Mitchell read a draft of a resolution which ~~could~~ might be presented to the membership meeting. ~~as follows:~~

On motion, it was voted to recommend the resolution in a somewhat altered form, as follows: ~~given just above.~~

ELECTION OF STAFF

The Executive Director and Secretary-treasurer having withdrawn, the Board proceeded to confirm them for the coming year. Upon the recommendation of Dr. Mitchell, the Board also voted to increase the salaries of the secretary-treasuer, director of information, research assistant, and membership secretary, effective January 1, 1952. On motion, the president was authorized to appoint a committee of three from the Executive Committee, empowered to increase the salary of the executive director should the finances of the corporation make that possible.

RESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT

Mr. Williams announced his retirement as president of the Council, stating that he ~~[illegible]~~ had put in six full years, and that he thought the ~~[illegible]~~ job of president should rotate. He ~~[illegible]~~ added that he would continue to support the organization in every way possible, but that he desired that the presidency move on now to other hands.

Mr. Clement moved ~~an expression to Mr. Williams by~~ a standing vote of thanks to Mr. Williams, which was unamiously adopted.

Several members expressed concern as to the leadership of the Council during the coming year, and it was agreed that the nominating committee would meet at 9:30 the following morning to prepare nominations.

RESIGNATION OF MR. WHEELER AS VICE-PRESIDENT

Dr. Mitchell read a letter of resignation as vice-president of the Council from Mr. John Wheeler, and the Board voted to accept Mr. Wheeler's resignation, with regret.

SUGGESTED PROJECT FOR STATE DIVISIONS

Father Twomey urged that each State Division make it a principal item of business to assist Negroes in obtaining their constitutional rights at the polls.

PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF POLICY STATEMENT

Upon motion, it was voted that the Statement of Policy and Aims be printed in New South and given the widest possible publicity. ~~to the public.~~

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respecfully Submitted,

Katherine Stoney
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

December 13, 1951

The Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council met immediately after the annual membership meeting on the afternoon of December 13, 1951, in the music room of the Atlanta University library.

Mr. Williams asked for the report of the committee to nominate officers and members of the Executive Committee. Mrs. Hamilton presented the following nominations for officers:

President--Marion A. Wright, South Carolina

Vice Presidents--Carter Wesley, Texas; Gordon Hancock, Virginia; A. W. Dent, Louisiana; Alfred Mynders, Tennessee.

Counsel--Leonard Haas, Georgia.

It was voted to accept this slate of officers.

Mr. Williams expressed satisfaction with the Board's choice.

Mr. Wright--"No greater opportunity to be of service could come to me than what you have conferred. I would assume no heavier responsibility in following any president than I do in following Mr. Williams. He has left a mark for all of us to shoot at. More than that, he has left an impression on the South. The thing in the South that is of significance is in the leveling and beating down of barriers which people have reared between themselves. There is no man, in my judgment, who has had a larger hand in this than Mr. Paul Williams."

Mrs. Hamilton submitted the following nominations for membership on the Executive Committee:

Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie, Georgia; Rev. V. J. O'Connell, Louisiana; Dr. Rufus Clement, Georgia; Paul Christopher, Tennessee; John Griffin, Georgia; Charles S. Johnson, chairman, Tennessee; Harry V. Richardson, Georgia.

Mr. Charles Walker, serving as proxy for Mr. W. W. Wilke, president of the Arkansas Division, announced that he had been authorized by the Division to invite everybody to attend an Institute on Interracial Relations, to be sponsored by the Arkansas Division of SRC early in

the spring. "We are trying to get new members. We hope to invite people of every strata where we can sit down and do just what we have done today."

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

RESOLUTION

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5. The regional organization to have authority to assist State Divisions and other affiliated state organizations in the employment of paid personnel and in the development of program.

6. The regional organization to carry forward a program of public information, research interpretation, and coordination of the activities of the state organizations.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the ~~Board of Directors~~ Membership Meeting

December ~~12~~ 13, 1951

The annual membership meeting of the Southern Regional Council was held at 10:00 A. M. December ~~12~~ 13, 1951, in the Exhibition Room of the Atlanta University Library. The President, Mr. Paul Williams, presided. Rabbi Charles Mantinband gave the invocation. Dr. Rufus Clement ~~gave~~ extended ~~[illegible]~~ welcome to the group on behalf of Atlanta University. It was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and proceed with the report of the secretary-treasurer. Miss Stoney gave the report as follows: (See attached). She pointed out that the Council was in better ~~[illegible]~~ financial condition than it was at the end of ~~1951, [illegible]~~ 1950, as it had fewer debts this year. She told of efforts to collect dues from delinquent members, adding that those who hadn't paid their dues since 1949 were dropped. Miss Stoney reported a total of 1836 members, including 225 new members this year . Of the total, 193 are from out of the South and 9 are from foreign countries. She explained that the fund for the Fellowship of the Concerned was used almost entirely for travel. She also ~~[illegible]~~ told ~~members~~ about the ~~f~~ money from the National Sharecroppers Fund, which was to be used for the publication of a pamphlet on farm tenancy when and if additional money is forthcoming from the National Sharecroppers Fund. She explained that the $500 granted by the National Conference of Christians and Jews was being used ~~for [illegible]~~ to pay travel expenses for the research assistant in her travels on behalf of the self-survey.

Report of the Executive Director. The executive director first reported on subjects discussed in New South during the year.

1. Enlarging democratic processes in government in the South. This included ~~getting more Negroes elected and~~ enlarging the electorate and getting more Negroes elected and appointed to public offices.

2. Safety of the person. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that there has been a decline in lynching and its transposition into police violence against arrested persons.

3. Negro police. Their number is increasing, and there is a good deal of evidence that they are systematically arresting white ~~persons.~~ lawbreakers.

4. Fellowship of the Concerned. It grew out of a series of meetings, largely of church women, to promote civil rights in the South. There are no officers or dues, but simply women over the South who agree to sit in on cases and find out what is going on in the courts. They often have some influence on court practices in their communities. For several years previous~~ly~~ the Fellowship of the Concerned had convened a Southwide meeting in Atlanta. This year, instead, Mrs. Tilly went around ~~to the different States~~ to some of the States to contact members of the Fellowship of the Concerned and tell members of the State Divisions about the Fellowship at ~~some of the annual~~ the annual meetings in some of the States.

5. Getting people to understand the ~~question of segregation.~~ legal aspects of segregation, by various articles printed in New South.

6. Housing, from 1950 census. In the last ten years the poorer parts of the white South have been rehoused, but the Negroes haven't. If the Korean war had not come along, we would be well along toward solving this problem.

7. What is actually happening on the land in the South? We don't know much about this, but an article printed in New South throws some light on the subject.

Dr. Mitchell next talked about the self-survey manual, pointing out that it had been very well received, especially by social work people in cities all over the country. We have been somewhat disappointed at the slow pace at which cities and towns take up the idea of doing the survey. It is a very slow business to get a town to do this. But when a town does it, it is transformed. The Chamber of Commerce in Dallas made a small survey, ~~though not the kind~~ inspired in part by the manual, though not the kind of survey recommended in the manual. Shreveport is now doing the kind of survey recommended in the manual. There are four or five smaller towns over the South doing parts of the survey as recommended in the manual.

The executive director continued by reporting on activities of the State Divisions and affiliated interracial organizations. He pointed out that all but

three of the old Interracial Committees had become State Divisions of the SRC: the Georgia ~~Inter~~ Commission on Interracial Cooperation, the Texas Committee on Interracial Cooperation, ~~Committee,~~ and the Dept. of Interracial Cooperation of the Virginia Council of Churches. Virginia and Georgia are the only ones of the State Divisions ~~and~~ or interracial organizations to have paid executive persons. The rest are manned by voluntary personnel. The state organizations meet once a year, and don't actually do much. To get local action on the part of our members over the South we need paid ~~personnel~~ personnel in the States. The Tennessee Division is inactive. It hasn't formally dissolved, but it has given its money to SRC to be put in a trust fund. The North Carolina Division is not active either, and the Arkansas Division needs to do more. Mississippi, Louisiana, Florida, South Carolina, Alabama, and Kentucky have met. The Virginia organization, through the Council of Churches, continues to get things done. We are not organized in Oklahoma.

~~The~~ The executive director next reported on ~~things~~ things coming up for next year.

1. The pamphlet on farm tenancy. The National Sharecroppers Fund promised us money to print it, but they haven't paid us enough money to put it out. People in Atlanta are ~~not~~ now working on the pamphlet. The idea is that until land tenancy in the South is markedly improved, it is going to be hard for the rural people to improve their condition. We would like to open some device by which a man who is a tenant can get a secure hold on a piece of land and move on up.

2. Manual on how police ought to behave in the South. ~~It~~ Addressed to citizens, it urges them to concern themselves with police administration in their communities, to appraise it and improve it. The pamphlet should be out early next year. We will want members of the Council and of the Fellowship of the Concerned to take the pamphlet in local committees to the chiefs of police in their communities, and try to get some action.

3. Need in the South for accurate figures on schools--differential in Negro and white schools. If the money were available, we could do this.

4. Commission on Equal Penalties. Last summer we ~~got~~ received a memorandum giving reactions in the European press to the Willie McGee execution. Friends in New York asked Dr. Mitchell what the SRC was going to do about such things. This was the beginning of the idea of a Commission on Equal Penalties. There are two related problems: (1) the penalty in rape cases--flaring and dramatic, very unequal by race; (2) the accepted, age-old practice in the South of awarding differential penalties by race for lesser crimes. This perpetuates a stereotype of the Negro buffoon. I think the South could in four or five years' time, be persuaded to start awarding equal justice in the courts. We would start it by convening twelve or eighteen very distinguished persons and giving them money to do a research job, showing in one category unequal penalties by race for rape in the last fifty years, and in the other category unequal penalties by race for lesser offenses. Investigations would be made in several cities, smaller towns, and States over the South. It is hoped that some of the Southern law schools would be willing to make such studies and publish the findings, in law reviews. The Commission, after studying the findings, would issue a report to the Southern people, including recommendations for imposing equal penalties. SRC members and Fellowship of the Concerned members would show the report to their local judges, chiefs of police, and sheriffs.

It would take between $6,000 and $10,000 to set up this Commission. We have $2,000 promised, on the condition that it be matched in the South, Dr. Mitchell expressed a hope that some Negro persons in the South would contribute a thousand dollars. He added that it was hoped to get the project started in January, and that he would make a trip early in the year to talk with various people over the South about whom should be on the Commission. He emphasized that the Commission would be independent. After setting it up, the Council would leave it alone.

5. In order to set up strong State Divisions we need a large sum of money, extending over a minimum of five years. To do this, we need $1,400,000. Under those circumstances, the Atlanta office would cease to be a single-membership

organization. People would be members of State Divisions only. The central office in Atlanta would tie together the activities of these various State organizations. They could recruit more members from within their own States than we can from Atlanta.

6. The future of the Council in case we don't get a large grant. There is in sight for next year less than $20,000. We will need $40,000 to run the Council, even on its present inadequate basis. Every month we will be $2,000 short. It is now time to say that either this thing has got to be put in a position to really do its job or you ought to contemplate doing without it.

At this point Mr. Williams paid tribute to Dr. Mitchell's sense of duty and the many sacrifices he had made on behalf of the Council. Mr. Williams then called on Mrs. Tilly to say a few words about the Fellowship of the Concerned.

Mrs. Tilly told of how well-known the Fellowship was becoming in all parts of the country, as a result of the publicity given it. She added that she received letters from all over the country, including prisoners who wanted her to get them out of jail. She explained that the travel expense of $504.39, included in the secretary-treasurer's report, was spent largely on taking members to Charleston to hear the Clarendon County Case last summer. Mrs. Tilly described several specific activities of the Fellowship members in different towns, explaining that she sometimes receives word of trouble in a certain area before it is generally known in that area. In such cases, she notifies Fellowship members in the area so they can get to work on the problem as soon as possible. She spoke also of the influence of Fellowship members on court practices in their communities.

Mr. Fleming reported on the publicity received by the Council during the year, pointing out that the publicity had been good and had included activities of the State Divisions, speeches made by Dr. Mitchell and Mrs. Tilly, and press notice of articles appearing in New. South. He pointed out that there were samples of the publicity on display for members to see, and also displays of SRC projects during the past year, including Race in the News and the Self-Survey. Mr. Fleming explained that the press

was not invited to the membership meeting since matters not suitable for wide publicity were being discussed.

Dr. Mitchell introduced the following new staff members: Miss Anna Holden, research assistant; Miss Adella Shields, membership secretary; Miss Katherine Stoney, secretary-treasurer; Miss Emily Calhoun, secretary to the executive director.

Mr. Williams pointed out that at the last annual membership meeting it was voted that a committee should be set up to draft a statement on policy and program. Mr. Williams called on Dr. Dent to report from that committee.

Dr. Dent said that the committee had drawn up a Statement of Policy and Aims of the Southern Regional Council which was approved by the Board of Directors. Dr. Dent then read the statement. Mr. Williams asked Dr. Hancock, who was present at the Durham Conference when the SRC was organized, to say a few words.

Dr. Hancock—"This is a clear-cut statement of what we want to do. . . . Something so far-reaching, so necessary, cannot die. If it dies and is buried, it will rise again. What we are trying to do must be done. Ours is a noble task, and it will be performed.

Father Twomey asked if plans were being made to have the Statement distributed widely. He added that he would contribute $25 toward the publishing of the Statement in a separate brochure.

Mr. Fleming pointed out that the staff had planned, contingent on the approval by the membership, to run the Statement in the coming issue of New South. He added that the Statement could also be printed separately, and predicted that the Statement would get a good deal of notice, both in the South and outside the South.

Mrs. Davidson—"It seems to me it is a serious mistake to rule out the press at such an important meeting. As a newspaper woman, I know that the AP is interested in disseminating this information immediately."

Mr. Fleming pointed out that releasing the Statement immediately would not give it as wide handling as if he took time to get it to some of his newspaper friends in the New York Times and other papers. Putting it out immediately will only get it publicized through the AP.

A few detailed, minor changes were proposed, and the Statement was adopted with these changes.

Mr. Williams announced that he had asked the nominating committee not to consider him for president of the Council for the following year. He added that he would be with the organization in spirit and would do anything he could to further its aims. . . . . (Made lengthy speech.)

Rabbi Mantinband praised Mr. Williams for his fine leadership during the past six years and for the inspiring speech which he had just made. The Rabbi also suggested that the speech be included in a magazine called Vital Speeches, and that it, together with Mr. William's speech of the preceding year, be printed separately by SRC.

Dr. Dent moved that the membership present in the record of SRC its very deep and sincere expression of appreciation for the very fine work Mr. Williams has done for the last six years, and also that Mr. Williams's speech be printed and given the very widest circulation. It was voted to do that.

After lunch Dr. Parrish of the University of Louisville reported on the integration of Louisville Municipal College, where he was a former professor, with the University of Louisville, giving special attention to the effect the merger had on Negro professors. Dr. Parrish also pointed out how non-segregated, non-discriminatory practices were spreading through the whole community, opening more public facilities and more jobs to Negroes.

Dr. Mitchell distributed copies of the attached resolution and asked for an expression of opinion on the matter so that by-laws could be drafted in accordance with the desires of the members. He explained that under this system, there would be 50 regular members and 24 or 26 members from State organizations. "Under this system members of the State Divisions would cease to be members of the SRC and would be members of the various State Divisions of the SRC."

Dr. Dent—"It seems to be highly desirable that if large funds come to the Council, the Council be given a slightly different structure." He moved the adoption of the resolution.

Mrs. Davidson--"Shouldn't it be discussed how the money is to be allotted?"

Dr. Dent--"This resolution does not attempt to establish a plan of operation on a new basis. All this resolution does is to authorize the Board to draw up a set of by-laws."

It was moved that the resolution be adopted, but that the wording at the end of the second paragraph be changed to read; "when and if submitted by mail to the current membership of the Council, and a majority of the members voting express approval."

Mr. Wright, in giving the report of the Resolutions Committee, offered a resolution expressing gratitude for the kindness and hospitality of Atlanta University in providing facilities for the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Miss Stoney presented the proposed budget for 1952. "There is an estimated monthly short-fall of $2,000, or $24,000 short-fall for next year, if all the people who have helped us in the past help us next year. I think we are going to face the fact that either we are going to have to have some sort of guarantee or there is no use in going on."

Miss Lucy Mason--"How much can we really count on?

Dr. Mitchell--" We can count on over $17,000 for next year."

Somebody pointed out that the Council raised $20,000 beyond what was guaranteed in 1951.

Dr. Mitchell--"Yes, but we did that by straining every muscle and tapping resources which some of us are not willing to tap again."

Miss Mason--"What do you mean by not continuing the organization for any long period?"

Dr. Mitchell--"I would authorize the Executive Committee to continue the organization on a month-to-month basis, within its discretion." It was voted to do this.

Mr. Williams called on the committee to nominate members of the Board of Directors. Mr. Art Levin gave the report, pointing out that the Board is authorized to have as many as 72 members, and that it now has 53, and that there are a number

of people whose terms of office on the Board are up. Mr. Levin read the names of members whose terms ~~have~~ had expired who were eligible for reelection and those members who were not eligible for reelection. Mr. Levin added that the entire nominating committee was polled by mail, and they all suggested names for the Board. He then read the list of new Board members proposed by the committee. Dr. Mitchell suggested that the job of allocating terms by years to these people be given to the Executive Committee. The ~~nominations~~ nominations were accepted, together with Dr. Mitchell's suggestion.

Dr. Mitchell announced a meeting of the Board of Directors immediately after the membership meeting.

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Minutes 1951 Membership Meeting - Dec. 13, 1951

The 1951 Membership meeting of SRU met at Atlanta University on Thursday, December 13, with some 57 members present.

President, Paul Williams presided. Rabbi Mantinband gave the invocation. The Secretary-Treasurer reported that the Council's financial state was somewhat improved over the previous year, with an income for 1951 of just over $31,000. and expenses of approximately $28,000. Thus the deficit which had been carried for some years was reduced by $3,000. She also reported that the Council had 1,836 paid-up members and 200 Associate members, plus several hundred NEW SOUTH subscribers

The Executive Director reported on the activities of the Council during 1951 mentioning especially the work of the Fellowship of the Concerned, the information on housing dealt with in an issue of NEW SOUTH, interest in and work with the Home Town Self-Surveys, work of the State Divisions and Affiliates and then listed proposed projects for the coming year. These included a pamphlet on farm land tenure reform, a manual on Race and police behavior in the South, need for accurate figures on differentials in white and Negro schools, and the Commission on Equal Penalties. The last of these projects was outlined in detail with recommendations as to work to be done and money needed.

Other reports were given by Mrs. Tilly on work of the Fellowship of the Concerned and Mr. Fleming on NEW SOUTH and the Council's publicity.

The president then called for the report of the Special Committee on policy and program. Dr. Dent reported, presenting the Statement of Policy and Aims prepared by the Committee which statement was adopted by vote of the members.

Some discussion then followed about avisability of having the press present at the meeting. The group was assured that provision had been made for release of publicity.

Mr. Williams, having served as president for six years, asked that he not be considered for re-election and gave an inspiring address reaffirming his belief in the Council and its aims. Several members praised Mr. Williams

for his fine work. It was decided to print the speech.

Dr. Parrish gave a report on integration at the University of Louisville.

The afternoon session opened with a disucssion of possible revision in the Council's by-laws and organization in case substantial additional financial support should be given. A resolution was introduced which provided that in such event, the following changes would be made:

1. Individual membership in the Council be confined to a Board of Directors of up to 50 elected members with said board filling its own vacancies.

2; Existing State Divisions and Affiliates to continue as bodies governed by voting members within their respective states and each to have two members who sit, ex officio, with voice and vote, on the Board of SRC. These members will be the chairman of the divisions and one person elected from among their members.

3. The regional organization to have authority to assist State Divisions through employment of paid personnel and development of program.

4. Regional organization to carry forward a program of public information, research interpretation and coordination of activities of State organizations.

The Secretary-Treasurer presented a proposed budget for 1952 and some discussion was given to possible ways of raising funds. The decision was that the Council was to continue on a month-to-month basis with authority to continue being granted by the Executive Committee.

Following a report of the Committee on Nominations for members of the Board, the committee's report was accepted and the Executive Committee was authorized to allocate the terms of those members so elected.

Following an expression of gratitude to Atlanta University for their kind hospitality, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.

K. Stoney

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

December 13, 1951

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council was held in the Music Room of the Atlanta University Library, Atlanta, Georgia, on the afternoon of December 13, 1951, immediately after the membership meeting.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Williams asked for the report of the committee to nominate officers and members of the Executive Committee. Mrs. Hamilton ~~presented~~ submitted the following nominations for officers:

President--Marion A. Wright, South Carolina

Vice-Presidents--Carter Wesley, Texas; Gordon Hancock, Virginia; A. W. Dent, Louisiana; Alfred Mynders, Tennessee

Counsel--Leonard Haas, Georgia

Upon motion, it was voted to accept this slate of officers.

Mr. Williams expressed satisfaction with the Board's choice, and turned the chair over to Mr. Wright.

In commenting on his new position, Mr. Wright said, in part: "No greater opportunity to be of service could come to me than what you have conferred. I would assume no heavier responsibility in following any president than I do in following Mr. Williams. He has left a mark for all of us to shoot at. More than that, he has left an impression on the South. The thing in the South that is of significance is the leveling and beating down of barriers which people have reared between themselves. There is no man, in my judgment, who has had a larger hand in this than Mr. Paul Williams."

ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mrs. Hamilton submitted the following nominations for membership on the Executive Committee:

Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie, Georgia; Rev. V. J. O'Connell, Louisiana; Dr. Rufus Clement, Georgia; Paul Christopher, Tennessee; John Griffin, Georgia; Charles S. Johnson, chairman, Tennessee; Harry V. Richardson, Georgia.

On motion, it was voted to accept the nominations.

NEWS FROM ARKANSAS DIVISION

Mr. Charles Walker, serving as proxy for Mr. W. W. Wilke, president of the Arkansas Division, announced that he had been authorized by the Division to invite all members of the Council (Board) everybody to attend an Institute on Interracial Relations, to be sponsored by the Arkansas Division of SRC early in the spring.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL Jan. - 1952

Mr. Morris B. Abram	Healey Bldg.	Atlanta, Ga.
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Dr. A. D. Beittel	Pres., Talladega College	Talladega, Ala.
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Mr. John A. Griffin	Emory University	Emory Univ., Ga.
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Dr. Gordon B. Hancock	Virginia Union Univ.	Richmond, Va.
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Dr. Charles S. Johnson	Pres., Fisk Univ.	Nashville, Tenn.
Dr. Guy B. Johnson	Sociology Dept., Univ. of N. C.	Chapel Hill, N. C.
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Rev. John Long	Pres., Southern Christian Inst.	Edwards, Miss.
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Mr. Clyde Milner	Pres., Guilford College	Guilford, N. C.
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Dr. George S. Mitchell	Southern Regional Council	Atlanta, Ga.
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Mrs. E. U. Robinson	127-5th Ave., South	Franklin, Tenn.
Rev. Leon Russell	Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church	Greenville, N. C.
Mr. A. Maceo Smith	2011 N. Washington St.	Dallas 4, Texas
Mr. Crawford Solomon	Convention Press, 218 W. Church St.	Jacksonville, Fla.
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman	1511 Laurel St.	Columbia, S. C.
Miss Florence Sytz	Tulane School of Social Work	New Orleans, La.
~~Mrs~~ Judge L. E. Thomas	1035 N. W. 2nd Ave.	Miami 36, Fla.
Dr. Harold L. Trigg	Pres., St. Augustine's College	Raleigh, N. C.
Rev. L. J. Twomey, S. J.	Loyola University, Inst. of Ind. Relas.	New Orleans 15, La.
Mr. J. M. Tydings	1275 Starks Bldg.	Louisville, Ky.
Dr. Forrester B. Washington	Atlanta Univ. School of Social Work	Atlanta, Ga.
Mr. R. D. Wellons	Pembroke State College	Pembroke, N. C.
Mr. Carter Wesley	Publisher, Houston Informer, Box 3086	Houston, Tex.
Mr. Edward H. Weyler	Sec'y.-Treas. Ky. Federation of Labor	Louisville, Ky.
Miss Josephine Wilkins		Atlanta, Ga.
Rev. John Page Williams	5401 Tuckahoe Ave.	Richmond 26, Va.
Mr. Paul D. Williams	3320 Gloucester Rd.	Richmond 22, Va.
Rev. W. W. Wilke	2100 Wolfe St.	Little Rock, Ark.
Mr. Marion A. Wright	"Topknot"	Linville Falls, N. C.
Bishop R. R. Wright, Jr.	2118 Cross St.	Little Rock, Ark.
Mr. P. B. Young	Publisher, Journal & Guide	Norfolk, Va.
Mrs. Warren Zeuch	850 Royal Palm Place	Vero Beach, Fla.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

July 30, 1954

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Southern Education Foundation Building, 811 Cypress St, Atlanta, with the Chairman, Rufus E. Clement, presiding.

I. Executive Session. Members of the Committee went into executive session the first few minutes of the meeting, and announced that hereafter an executive session of this kind would be the rule.

II. Report on Program and Organizational Status

The Executive Director reviewed his travel and activities since the last meeting of the Committee. He spoke of the addition to the staff of Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton as Associate Executive Director, effective June 1st, and of her purpose to remain in that capacity to September 1, when it was proposed that she be made Assistant Director for Program Planning, serving the Council part-time from the position of Secretary to the Atlanta Urban League -- to which she will return September 1.

He described additions to the clerical staff, and spoke of Miss Anna Holden, the Research Assistant, as currently on leave at the University of North Carolina to complete her thesis.

C. H. Parrish, of the University of Louisville, has been engaged for the Summer months to travel in selected states and advise the Council on personalities and programs helpful in the strengthening of our own state organizations.

Robert Menefee, an economist at Berea College in Kentucky, has been sent on a trip through the mountain areas to talk with school officials and community leaders about the special opportunity of the mountain counties to bring about unsegregated schools at an early date.

Earl Brewer, of Emory University, had been engaged for a brief period to travel and make a report on official human relations agencies in selected Northern states and cities.

Plans were described for enlarging New South for 1955, and approaches to various sources of funds for this purpose were described.

State by state within the South, the efforts of our local people to prepare for use of paid staff by October 1st were described.

Louisiana having had funds available already in the New Orleans Committee on Race Relations, has employed Milton Vigo as its secretary. And the Georgia Interracial Committee has employed Guy Wells as its secretary, proposing to raise sufficient additional money to enable him employment from the period June 1 - August 31, directly by the Committee. Most of the other states have had meetings and have made promising programs for picking up in strengthened condition in the early autumn months.

Mrs. Tilly reported that the Georgia Interracial Committee is planning to raise sufficient money for a full-time Associate Secretary.

Marion A. Wright reported on the North Carolina meeting, which had been well attended and had appointed various committees to draft program and select personnel.

Harold C. Fleming reported on the period of special activity for the Council, and for his office, in the days and weeks just after the Supreme Court's decision. The Council has served importantly in briefing a variety of journalists and writers on the issues involved. He referred to a scrapbook of clippings, which shows the Council's major activities, which is now being kept. Report made of a trip he had made to New York in connection with a Ford sponsored Conference on Behavioral Sciences.

He described the various attacks made in recent weeks by the Reverend Blake Craft who had, in April 1954, renewed his slanderous misstatements. This had been followed by a series of attacks made by a weekly political sheet, called The Augusta Courier, operated by Roy Harris, a Georgia political figure. Mr. Harris had built his attacks around the charge that the Southern Regional Council is "the successor in fact to the Southern Conference for Human Welfare." Harris had proceeded, by innuendo and erroneous history, to build up a picture of the Southern Regional Council as the bearer of an evil purpose on the part of the Ford Foundation to subvert the traditions and customs of the South. Additionally, it had been charged in Harris' paper that the Council was Communist influenced. Various staff members, Board members, and officers had been listed by Harris as having this or that "Red-front" connection. Mr. Fleming stated that the charges had been so absurd that reputable papers had not cared to carry them, though the two Macon papers and a Savannah paper had carried resumes of the charges, along with fairly effective answers, sent out by the United Press. The Talmadge publication in Georgia, The Statesman, has also carried slanderous attacks against the Council and this had been recited in part by the Northside News. And word has been received of this or that broadcast mentioning the charges.

Mrs. Tilly reported on her work with women in various denominations affiliated with the National Council of Churches, and exhibited a voluminous collection of statements made re segregation in the schools by Church bodies.

Marion Wright reported the completion of the field work in six selected counties by sociology students from Haverford College, and arrangements made with Guy Johnson, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, for the statistical tabulation of the resulting material. He then consulted the members of the Executive Committee as to 48 nominations which had been made, mainly by state chairmen of SRC as persons suitable to be on the Commission itself. Mr. Wright thought the Commission should have nine members. Various additional proposals of suitable persons were made by members of the Executive Committee, and Mr. Wright undertook to review all names available and select at an early date a Commission of approximately nine persons.

III. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Miss Stoney reported on arrangements made with the approval of Mr. Haas for deposit in various banks of the balances available from the grant from the Fund for the Republic. In review of the reports attached hereto: She stated that the operating fund income for the first three months had been $14,200, income for the second three months was $7,400. in addition to the amount received from the Fund for the Republic, and that for the month of July receipts have been approximately $1,600. She pointed out that the amounts received, other than from the Fund for the Republic, had been from SRC regular sources of income. An additional $1500. was received from the Field Foundation. She also stated that in order to comply with the terms of the grant from the Fund for the Republic, as to fund-raising from the central office, it would be necessary for the Council to produce an income in the remaining months of the year in excess of $12,000.

The balance remaining for the Commission on Equal Penalties was $563.00.

IV. Central Office Operations

Proposed Revision of Staff Structure - The Executive Director presented a proposed reorganization of the central office staff showing the Executive Director reporting directly to the Executive Committee and they, in turn, to the Board. The Secretary-Treasurer would report to and through the Executive Director directly, also to the Executive Committee. It was proposed to drop the title of Associate Executive Director, and to establish four positions of Assistant Director; two in charge of program development; one in charge of program planning; and one in charge of information and research. The Research Assistant will report to the Assistant Director for Information and Research and the staff member in charge of Women's Work will report to the Executive Director. Clerical persons will be under the direction of the Secretary-Treasurer.

The proposed organization sheet was exhibited, as attached.

Change in By-Laws - The Executive Director then read changes in the By-Laws which would, if adopted, bring this structure into being. After full discussion it was, upon motion, agreed that the Executive Committee would recommend to the November 10 meeting of the Council that Article VI of the By-Laws, Section 1. - Executive Officers, be amended to read:

"The executive officers of the corporation shall be a president; one or more vice presidents, not to exceed four; an executive director; assistant directors; a secretary; and a treasurer. The president and the vice presidents shall be chosen from among the members of the corporation. The executive director and the assistant directors need not be members at the time of their election, but by virtue of their office shall become ex-officio members of the corporation, with all the privileges of such members. The secretary and the treasurer need not be members, and the offices of secretary and treasurer may be held by the same person. The president and vice presidents shall be elected annually by the Council. The executive director and assistant directors, secretary-treasurer, and the counsel shall be subject to confirmation annually by the Council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee.

Officers shall hold office until the corresponding meeting in the next year, and until their successors shall have been fully chosen and qualified, or until they shall have resigned or shall have been removed, in the manner provided in Section 13 of this Article. Any vacancy in any of the above offices shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the Council, at any regular or special meeting.

Article VI, Section 6, to read:

"Assistant Directors. The assistant directors shall work in cooperation with the executive director in the administration of the program and policies of the Council. In the absence or disability of the executive director, one of the assistant directors will be designated by the executive director, or by the executive committee, to perform, temporarily, the duties of executive director.

The Executive Committee discussed in some detail proposed job descriptions for the positions of Assistant Directors, and they approved the attached job descriptions for Assistant Director for Information and Research, Assistant Director for Program Planning, and two Assistant Directors for Program Development.

Office Space - Interracial Commission files
After an adjournment for lunch, discussion turned to a proposal to place the files of the Commission on Interracial Cooperation, to which the Southern Regional Council is lawful successor, in the custody of the Atlanta University library, with the stipulation of the right of access to the files by personnel of the Southern Regional Council at times convenient to the library of Atlanta University, and with the provision for review by the Southern Regional Council of proposals for extensive research in the files of the CIC. The Executive Committee agreed that a proposal of this kind might be made to Atlanta University.

The space occupied by the Council at 63 Auburn Ave. then came under consideration. Other possible locations for its now somewhat expanded Atlanta office have been explored, but the rent appears prohibitive. No other entirely suitable accomodations seeming to be available, the staff proposed an expenditure of an estimated $1700. be made for remodeling the present space. It was stated that the Council had, on entering the original space at 63 Auburn Ave., made such changes as were suitable then to the Council. The appropriate officials of the Wesley Memorial Building have agreed that the Council might make the desired changes now.

The present rental, plus proportionate parts of the remodeling expenditure, stretched over a three year period, would produce a total expenditure per year less than that budgeted for that purpose in the request to the Fund for the Republic.

Upon motion the proposed renovation of the office, at about $1700. was approved by the Committee.

Procedure for Professional Hiring - After considerable discussion, the Committee, upon motion, appointed a Personnel Committee of the Executive Committee composed of the President of the Council, Marion Wright; the Executive Director, George Mitchell; and the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Rufus E. Clement, to engage and fix salaries of new personnel at the professional level.

Loyalty Questionnaries - The Executive Director told of correspondence between himself and the President of the Council re methods of satisfying the Council's interest in the loyalty of the prospective person. The President of the Council emphasized the importance, in the expenditure of tax-exempt funds, of satisfying ourselves that no person being employed by the Council would be disloyal to our form of government. Various proposals for questioning personnel on this point were discussed.

Upon motion, it was decided that the following questions would be required to be answered by all incoming personnel.

1. Are you now, or have you ever been a member of the Communist Party?

2. Are you now, or have you ever been, a member of an organization whose purpose it was to overthrow the Government of the United States?

Discussion showed that the staff and the Personnel Committee should be guided on matters of loyalty by the answers given to these questions.

SRC Brief Before the Supreme Court - It was stated that the staff had given discussion to the question of whether the Southern Regional Council should put in a brief amicus on the matter of segregation in the schools. The Executive Committee was of the opinion that the Council's time would be best used in providing means of implementing the ultimate decrees when they should come down.

Consideration of Policy Statement - The Executive Director stated that a letter had been received from a Board member suggesting that the time had come for an additional policy statement by the Southern Regional Council. In discussion the Executive Committee made it clear that they considered the key clause of the policy statement of December, 1951, as adequate.

V. Report on Organization of States

Criteria for Affiliation - Members of the Committee spoke in favor of clarity in the requirement of the Council that affiliated bodies actually raise the rest of the covenanted funds; that members of affiliated bodies should subscribe, also, to New South; and have reasonable flexibility, state by state, as to the exact type of organization set up. Miss Stoney described a uniform monthly report sheet which had been prepared for use by state organizations. The Executive Director stated that a monthly narrative report would be required from each state group.

VI. Discussion of Fund-Raising - The Secretary-Treasurer presented the attached proposed budget which, after discussion, was adopted by the Executive Committee.

Upon motion, it was agreed that the Personnel Committee would be authorized to engage staff in accordance with the reorganized plan, within the limits of the funds available, under the budget adopted.

One of the members of the Committee suggested that each member of the Board of Directors of the Council be requested to contribute $100. toward raising the sums that will be needed by the end of this year. Appropriate paragraphs, re urgency of raising money from within the South, from the letter of grant from the Fund for the Republic were read to the Committee. Dr. Clement, in particular, said that an attempt should be made to get the Southern Regional Council put in the annual budgets of those persons who sometimes contribute to it. Upon motion, the Executive Committee requested the President of the Council to make an early visit to Atlanta, stay for several days, and interview persons with the object of having them accept positions on a Finance Committee, and empowering the President of the Council to launch such a Committee.

VII. Annual Meeting, November 10, 1954

It was agreed that the 1954 meeting would be held on Wednesday, November 10, at Atlanta University.

Nominating Committee - The President was by motion empowered to appoint a Nominating Committee, with proper instructions.

VIII. Other Business

The Executive Director stated that it was his feeling that one of the reasons why the Council was subjected to a spate of attacks was because of a policy in previous years of making no permanent annual report. He said that doubtless this policy had been well grounded, but that he was of the view that in consideration of the sums now available to the Council, and of the magnitude of the tasks before the Council, that it would be no less than proper to make an annual report, which would be publicly available. He had taken a tentative step in this direction when the January, 1954, issue of New South carried a form of financial report.

The Executive Committee felt that the present attacks were a phase of the distrubed political situation in Georgia and, as they were absurd, it offered little encouragement to proposals to answer the attacks in detail. One member suggested that a statement, giving the true facts, might be sent out to Board members and subscribers and other persons most intimately associated with the Council. Another proposal was that various persons influential in public opinion in the South, and knowledgeable as to the Council's origin and purpose, should be asked to come to the Council's defense.

The Committee received with pleasure the announcement that a brief descriptive pamphlet about the Council was now in press. The staff stated that the expense of a longer pamphlet had been considered prohibitive in view of the many changes underway, particularly with the state organizations.

Upon motion, it was agreed that "the matter of public statements be the responsibility of the staff, who if they feel a need of consultation should consult Mr. Clement and Mr. Haas, and that the Executive Committee places full confidence in whatever decision may be reached by this group."

There being no further business, the metting adjourned.

New South - 1949

month	# Co.	Cost
Dec(48) - Jan 49	9500	$ 288.15
Dec - Jan (reprint)	8500	198.50
Dec - Jan (reprint)	2050	41.67
Feb.	5400	168.75
Mar	5500	179.50
Apr	5500	186.50
May - June	5400	188.10
July	5400	188.10
Aug	5400	188.25
Sept	5400	195.50
Oct	5400	372.95
Nov - Dec *	?	197.45

10 issues (9½)

TOTAL $2593.42

average cost per issue (reprints inc) - $ 259.35

* No invoice attached

At this rate ($259.35) 6 issues = $ 1560.00

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1949

NEW SOUTH - cost

January	$337.95
February	168.75
March	179.50
April	229.30
May-June	206.03
July	206.31
August	188.25
September	195.50
October	372.95
November-December	200.00
	$2,284.54

average cost per issue - $228.45

1950

New South

		no of copies
January / February	194.90	
March	194.90	5400 + 300
April - May	797.95	10M
June	195.50	5400 + 150
July	190.25	5000 + 600
August	187.60	5000
September / October	227.70	5,400
November	265.00	7000
Dec - Jan.		

Charge

November 13, 1950

MEMORANDUM

Re: Marshall Field Foundation $2500.00 for New South

This is the money received in Mr. Maxwell Hahn's letter of November 8, 1950.

In a conference with Mrs. Huff and Mr. Fleming November 13, we decided:

1. That with the permission of the Executive Committee, New South would, for seven or eight months to come at any rate, be published with about the frequency with which it was published in the combined period 1949-1950.

2. Mrs. Huff would keep the $2,500.00 in the bank for this project and draw upon it in order to meet printer's bills for New South arising from printing ordered on behalf of New South on and after November 13, 1950. She is to pay New South printing bills as they come in from this money, it being recognized that the bills will not severally amount to an exact 1/12 of $2,500.00.

3. This device, while somewhat self-denying to the Council's immediate needs, is thought of as simple, straightforward, and as facilitating a plain report to the Marshall Field Foundation May 15, 1951.

4. The effect of this is that the Council must itself find from other sources money to pay for all clerical, postage, and other charges, and for editorial costs of New South, but that printing costs are cared for in this way.

GSM.

George S. Mitchell

December 19, 1950

MEMORANDUM

TO: Norma Huff

FROM: George S. Mitchell GSM

Memorandum regarding the ~~extend~~ use of the Marshall Field grant in payment of printing bills for New South should be amended as follows in view of the desires of the Executive Committee as expressed at their (non-quorum) meeting of December 16, 1950:

Postage may be paid from the Marshall Field money for issues of New South subsequent to date of grant.

We are authorized to pay some part of Mr. Fleming's salary from the Marshall Field grant, but it is my judgment that it would be unwise to do this unless later on in 1951 we find that the drain of printing and postage against the grant will have been sufficiently small to permit such a salary charge.

G.S.M.

GSM:er

December 19, 1950

MEMORANDUM

TO:. Norma Huff

From: George S. Mitchell
GSM

Consequent upon the action of the (non-quorum) meeting of the Executive Committee December 16, it will now be necessary for us to send to the Marshall Field Foundation, shortly after the publication of each issue of New South, the following items:

1. A copy of the issue.

2. A statement of just what expenses were met from the Marshall Field grant.

I would be grateful if you would take responsibility for preparing these reports. But in order that I may continue to be informed, I would appreciate the opportunity to initial the green copy of each such outgoing report.

G.S.M.

gsm:er

January 10, 1951

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Hahn:

It was the expressed wish of our executive committee that we send to the Marshall Field Foundation a monthly report of expenditures from its generous contribution toward the publication of New South.

~~The~~ Enclosed are three copies are the November issue. the printer's invoice for this issue was $265.00 and represents the initial expenditure against the Foundation's grant. In addition to our mailing to members and subscribers, our State Divisions are in the process of sending this issue to all the county school superintendents in the South

A December-January issue of New South will be published shortly, and another brief report will be sent to you at that time.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:jwh

February 21, 1951

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Hahn:

As you will remember, our executive committee has directed that we send to the Marshall Field Foundation a monthly report of expenditures from its generous contribution toward the publication of New South.

The printer's invoice for the December-January issue was $235.50. An additional $65.00 was also charged against the grant for New South mailing expenses.

~~In a few weeks~~ The February issue of New South will be published and another report will be sent you in a few weeks

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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OFFICE OF THE
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February 23, 1951

Mrs. Norma Huff, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432 - 63 Auburn Ave., N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Huff:

Thank you for your letter reporting on the expenditures of the Southern Regional Council for the December-January issue of New South and also for the three copies of the December-January New South. Mr. Maxwell Hahn is away from the city at present, but I shall see that your letter and enclosures are brought to his attention upon return.

Sincerely yours,

Martha Fujita

Martha Fujita
Secretary to Mr. Hahn

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March 22, 1951

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation, Inc.
250 Park Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Hahn:

Our expenditure for the February issue of New South was the printing cost, $206.25.

We continue to be grateful to the Field Foundation for this generous appropriation, which makes New South publication possible.

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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April 23, 1951

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation, Inc.
250 Park Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Hahn:

Enclosed are several copies of the March issue of New South.

Charged against the helpful grant of the Field Foundation for this issue, were the printers bill, $191.40, and the cost of mailing, $35.00.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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May 18, 1951

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation, Inc.
250 Park Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Hahn:

The April New South, "A Manual for the Home Town Self-Survey," was a special issue, and six thousand copies were printed at a cost of $1,253.30.

From the Field Foundation grant, $253.30 was paid toward publication and $71.60 for mailing.

We greatly hope that this Manual will be useful to many communities, and are indeed grateful for the generous Field Foundation grant which helped make publication possible.

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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See attached.

THE FIELD FOUNDATION, INC.
250 PARK AVENUE
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May 22, 1951

Mrs. Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432 - 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Huff:

Thank you for your letter of May 18, forwarding a copy of the special issue of New South, "A Manual for the Home Town Self-Survey." I shall study this with interest.

Sincerely yours,

Maxwell Hahn

Maxwell Hahn
Executive Vice President

July 10, 1951

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation, Inc.
250 Park Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Hahn:

Enclosed are several copies of the May-June issue of NEW SOUTH.

The amounts charged against the generous grant of the Field Foundation are $262.32 for printing and $32.00 for postage for the 5,600 copies.

As of July 2, 1951 I became Acting Secretary-Treasurer of the Council following the resignation of Mrs. Huff. I shall continue to send you the monthly reports on NEW SOUTH.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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July 13, 1951

Miss Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432,
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Stoney:

Thank you for the May-June issue of NEW SOUTH and your statement of the expenditure for printing and postage.

I note with interest that you have become Acting Secretary-Treasurer of the Council.

Sincerely yours,

Maxwell Hahn

Maxwell Hahn
Executive Vice President

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July 27, 1951

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation, Inc.
250 Park Avenue,
New York 17, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Hahn:

Enclosed are some copies of the July issue of NEW SOUTH. You will be interested to know that this issue has received some good publicity in a number of newspapers over the South as well as the New York Times.

For this issue we have charged against the generous Field Foundation grant $332.10 for printing and $32.00 for postage.

The Council is most grateful to the Field Foundation for its large part in making these issues of NEW SOUTH possible.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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September 4, 1951

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135 SOUTH LA SALLE STREET
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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I wish to acknowledge, with thanks, the drafts of the proposed pamphlet on "Race and Law Enforcement--A Guide to Modern Police Practice."

Will it be possible for you to get the criticisms of such authorities as Joseph Lohman, Gordon Allport and Louis Wirth before this is more widely circulated? I have the feeling that the copy, in its present form, would defeat its purpose. For that reason, I consider it important that you obtain expert opinion independently.

Sincerely,

Maxwell Hahn

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September 4, 1951

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Thank you very much for your report on the use of the Field Foundation grant for the New South.

This is very encouraging.

Sincerely,

Maxwell Hahn

Maxwell Hahn

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Sept. 6, 1951

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation
250 Park Ave.
New York 17, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Hahn:

Many thanks for your letter of September 4 about the police pamphlet. I have sent copies off at once to Gordon Allport and Louis Wirth and asked them to write to me or to you directly with an opinion on the pamphlet.

I haven't yet had criticisms from the three or four police people we have sent it to in the South, but I will let you know as soon as I can get their views.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence.

Sept. 26, 1951

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation, Inc.
250 Park Ave.
New York 17, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Hahn:

This is about our application for aid to the publication of a pamphlet on police matters in the South.

You remember that you suggested that the proposed manuscript be reviewed by Louis Wirth and Gordon Allport.

Each has very kindly gone through it. I append what each said.

We had also a long careful letter from Joe Lohman, to whom we had sent the manuscript earlier. I add a couple of paragraphs from his letter.

What Louis Wirth and Joe Lohman said caused us to do some hard thinking on how we wanted our pamphlet to do its work. We concluded that we were too ambitious in trying to produce a pamphlet that would do double duty—that is, as a document for the lay public and for police officers. Obviously, in the light of Joe Lohman's comments, we are not equipped to approach police officers directly on their everyday grounds. (I begged here and there four years ago for the money to let us put on two or three people who, by much travel, conversation, study, and experience, would learn intimately the daily problems of Southern police people.) The valid part of our original plan, we believe, was to reach the mind of what might be called "our constituents" in the South—people of conscience, civic-minded people, not necessarily interracialists, but thoughtful local citizens who want improvement and are willing to take some action to get it. In that field we have some experience and competence.

We think we can recast the material for the benefit of useful Southern people and, at the same time, continue to avoid the pitfall of having it a mere catalog of police abuses. We think it can be written in such a way as to stimulate our friends over the South to some action, and in such a way also as to make it useful and not hurtful if (as we think will often be done) our friends hand it on to police chiefs and sheriffs.

Anyway, we have postponed printing it now and will rework it. I expect we will still need the Marshall Field Foundation's help in getting it out. Could our request therefore stand, but in abeyance, until you have had an opportunity to see an altered manuscript?

I am grateful for your insight on the difficulties of the present draft.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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From Louis Wirth, September 14, 1951

I have just returned to the office after three and a half months abroad and in the mountain of things that confront me I find your letter and document on race and law enforcement. I have read the letter carefully to be clear about what use you wish to make of this document and have read the document in that light. As a result, I have the following comments to offer:

First on the document itself: I think the first section consisting of paragraphs 1-11 is very appropriate and might be very useful because it talks to the policeman in terms of his role as a public servant and brings in the question of equality for all and non-discrimination only incidentally in paragraph 7. I think the professional status of the policeman is somewhat exaggerated in paragraph 6. Policing isn't quite a profession yet, and it doesn't sound realistic to say that it requires the same high standards as medicine, law, or education, but otherwise I think it is good.

In the second section from paragraphs 12-22, I think you go astray because I think you fail to take full account of the fact that the Southern pattern of Negro-white relations will be regarded as the norm and the talk about this pattern resting upon false foundations will not make much of an impression. You are arguing with the people about their prejudices and that doesn't do much good. You are also berating people for their prejudices and that does even less good. The point that needs to be made, I think, is what you say in the heading of this section, namely, that regardless of what the police officer believes and what his "prejudices" are, when he puts on his uniform he assumes the obligation of being colorblind. It might also be important to note that whatever the officer is in private life is probably not subject to official control, but what he does in his conduct as a police officer is subject to scrutiny and control. His goal should be the enforcement of the law irrespective of the persons involved.

The section giving the facts about race, from paragraphs 23-25 will, I think, also backfire or lose its value because it stresses race unduly and does not put race into a setting of other facts such as occupation, religion, education, or standard of living, which would make it seem like less of a case of special pleading. No matter how much you might tell the Southern policeman about racial myths, he will still think that race is a reality.

In the next section from paragraphs 36-48, I think it would be better if instead of trying to explain the roots of race prejudice one merely described the Southern race relations pattern and indicated how it interferes with equality under the law. In this section I think it would be wiser to stress the progress that has been made in the South in race relations than categorically to talk about the South as having certain inalterable ways. For instance, I think it would be wise to point out how many police systems there are where Negroes are employed, to show areas where Negroes are predominant and where crime is less than in areas of whites. In other words, I believe in introducing some facts here rather than relying on pedagogical proclamation about the nature of prejudice to cure people of it.

In the next section paragraphs 49-74, I think it is appropriate to explain how crowds behave and mobs act, but I think it is done on a plane which is too sophisticated and academic for policemen to understand without a good deal of personal and individual explanation and illustration. I think the section on rumor, especially paragraph 72, which illustrates it, is much more on the level of intelligibility. I would like to see that procedure followed more throughout the document.

I think the section beginning with paragraph 75 and ending with paragraph 85 is much superior and much more appropriate to the objective than the rest of the document. This is partly due to the fact that race is not talked about except where it is specifically pertinent and constitutes a special problem.

I think the last section on law should be adapted to the particular states and localities where the pamphlet is to be circulated, but I think there is one aspect of the problem of law which is illustrated by paragraph 90, which is particularly important in the South, namely, the fact that an officer of the law is called upon to enforce all laws and among these laws are such laws as segregation laws and other laws, which from the standpoint of American ideas and ideals generally are discriminatory. This is really one of the central problems that the Southern policeman faces, which is different from that of the Northern policeman. Can we give him any help on this? All this document says is that the policeman should have the knowledge of the laws and should avoid over-stepping their bounds and that police practices should be in accord with changing court decisions. I think here is a place for some original work that still needs to be done.

As I have inferred in several sentences above I think some of the document is too academic in its level of presentation and should be brought down to the level of its audience. But I should like to raise now the larger question of whether anything good can be accomplished by just circulating such a document without personal teaching, explanation, and illustration to go along with it. I think the document is quite unlike your document on Race in the News which consisted almost entirely of concrete instances, and, what is more, was addressed to an audience, namely, editors and newspaper people, who could be presumed to be on a higher level of literacy and sophistication.

I am also raising in my mind the question of the auspices under which you want to circulate this document. With due respect to the prestige and acceptability of the Southern Regional Council, among the more enlightened people of the South, I wonder whether such a document should not be circulated under the auspices of some police organization like, for instance, the International Association of Chiefs of Police or more specifically by Mr. McCandless of the Louisville Institute. I think it would come as less of the gesture of a do-gooder organization and as a communication among insiders in a given occupation if this were done. Incidentally, throughout the document I would eliminate such terms as minorities and other terms we use in academic discourse that have little meaning to other people. I am sorry I haven't the time or the ingenuity to make a more positive contribution to the enterprise.

From Gordon Allport, September 18, 1951

Your proposed pamphlet, "Race and Law Enforcement," seems to me well written and to the point. While it does not mince the issues, it manages to be tactful. You cannot teach the police (or anyone else) if they think you are attacking them.

On two occasions I have taught courses to police officers (in Boston and in Cambridge). I know from experience how very difficult it is to train them even in the simplest rudiments of the subject of prejudice. For one thing I found they need to blow off a good deal of steam. Neither lecturing to them nor giving them "required reading" makes much of a dent. I am sending you an article of mine entitled "Catharsis and the Reduction of Prejudice" that tells something of my experience.

While your proposed pamphlet certainly will not solve the problem, it is probably better than any of the similar documents that I have read. For one thing it is simpler and more direct. To be sure, I should not publish it until you have considered the criticisms from police officials and sheriffs whom you are selecting as sounding boards.

My attitude is simply this: the problem is so serious that any honest attempts, such as you have made, ought not to go unsupported. The pamphlet may open the eyes of some; it will plant seeds for needed reform; and it may encourage systematic courses in police training. I should expect it to have slightly less of an impact than your excellent pamphlet for newspaper men, "Race in the News," because police are not so literate. But its effect should be good unless your police critics bring to light contrary arguments that I cannot now foresee.

From Joe Lohman, September 17, 1951

Frankly, I have serious questions about the advisability of merely writing out material which police departments will be in a position to understand and accept without rather careful interpretation. This is the kind of thing I have been attempting at the Louisville Police Institute where I have conducted the sessions on human relations during the first two terms, and will again in the third term in November. In my mind, the problem is something more than developing a statement of the problem. In my own work I have actually relied more upon my knowledge and background in the field of crime and law enforcement as a basis for communicating with police departments, than the traditional academic approaches of our sociologists andanthropologists.

This is the major reason why we have had some success as contrasted with the difficulties which most others have run into, and who have been immediately classified as "do-gooders" or special pleaders. In fact, I know of no group, including all of the race relations experts, who have not found themselves, whether they realized it or not, immediately confronted with this dilemma. This, of course, is the key significance of the emphasis upon the professionalizing of police departments, and one cannot overdo or overstate this fact, since it becomes a prize or goal which the currently non-professional police departments aspire to achieve. It is not a matter of describing policing as a profession, but identifying in every police officer his aspiration to become a member of a "calling," and hence enjoy the status of other professional men, such as lawyers, medics, educators, etc.

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October 1, 1951

OFFICE OF THE
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CHICAGO OFFICE
135 SOUTH LA SALLE STREET
CHICAGO 3

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E. - Room 432
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I wish to ponder the proposed treatment of the police manual before indicating the Foundation's reaction. Within the next three weeks, I shall be in Chicago, and as Joe Lohman and I already have an appointment on another subject, I shall utilize the occasion to talk with him about your manual.

Louis Wirth's proposal that the manual might be distributed under the auspices of Mr. McCandless of the Louisville Institute is an idea that has some appeal. All this boils down to the fact that I am confident that our board would like to have the Foundation assist, at least to a limited extent, in seeing that the manual, after desirable revisions, is printed and distributed under appropriate auspices to individuals and groups who would read and react constructively to its contents.

You will hear from me again before the end of the month.

Sincerely yours,

Maxwell Hahn

Maxwell Hahn

October 3, 1951

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation, Inc.
250 Park Avenue
New York 17, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Hahn:

I appreciate your letter of October 1.

We want to get the police pamphlet out in the most useful way. We look forward to further word from you.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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October 26, 1951

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CHICAGO 3

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I now have had the opportunity to talk with Joe Lohman and with others sympathetic to the Southern Regional Council about the pamphlet on police matters in the South. Unfortunately, they lack enthusiasm for putting out a recast version for either the police or for the SRC "constituents" at this time. This means, therefore, that the Foundation will have to be excused from participating in the financing of this manual.

Perhaps we can get together later on some other project.

Sincerely,

Maxwell Hahn

Maxwell Hahn

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October 30, 1951

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation, Inc.
250 Park Ave.
New York 17, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Hahn:

I am sorry for the news in your letter of October 26, but I am grateful for your interest in that further exploration.

We still think a pamphlet of this general kind is useful and want to press it through.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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November 1, 1951

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation, Inc.
250 Park Avenue,
New York 17, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Hahn:

Because of unforeseen difficulties the last issue of NEW SOUTH, a combined August-September issue, was delayed and went out early in October. We hope that the October issue, now at the printers, will go out the first of next week.

The amount charged against the Field Foundation grant for the August-September issue was $329.91 for printing and $40.00 for postage. Enclosed are two copies.

Again we are grateful to the Field Foundation whose generosity has made possible this publication.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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January 28, 1952

Mr. Maxwell Hahn
The Field Foundation, Inc.
250 Park Avenue,
New York 17,

Dear Mr. Hahn:

Once again the Council is indebted to The Field Foundation for making possible the publication of New South for a year. The money has, as last year, been put into a special account and will be used for costs of printing and postage only.

Will you please convey to The Field Foundation our sincere appreciation for their generous gift. Our appreciation to you also for your interest and for your help in getting the gift for us.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Stoney,
Secretary-Treasurer

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THE FIELD FOUNDATION, INC.
250 PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK 17

January 23, 1952

OFFICE OF THE
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

CHICAGO OFFICE
135 SOUTH LA SALLE STREET
CHICAGO 3

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

The Administrative Committee of the Field Foundation has authorized me to send you the enclosed Field Foundation check in the amount of $2,500, K.S, payable to the order of the Southern Regional Council, Inc. This contribution is to be used for the balance of the Council's expenses on the Police Manual, and to help finance publication of New South in 1952.

You know, I am sure, that there is no implied commitment that this contribution will be repeated.

Sincerely,

Maxwell Hahn

Maxwell Hahn

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia
November 14, 1951

LETTER TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE TO MAKE NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The following are the members of the Committee to Make Nominations for Membership on the Board of Directors:

Bob Thompson, Atlanta
Nat Welch, Montgomery
Art Levin, Atlanta
Ocie Lee Smith, Little Rock
Mrs. William Hogue, Houston
Mrs. V. Carter Mason, Norfolk

Of these, we have had opportunity to consult, in person or by mail, all except Mrs. Mason.

Based upon the recommendations and advice of the members of the Committee, the staff of the Council has put together the following lists:

I. In the event that the membership meeting should direct a complete reorganization of the Council, altering it into a self-perpetuating board.

F. D. Patterson	College President	Tuskegee
William Mitch	Labor Leader	Birmingham
Truman Hobbs	Lawyer	Montgomery
Harry Ashmore	Editor	Little Rock
U. S. Bond	Businessman & Planter	Madison, Ark.
Mrs. E. L. Rauschkolb	Church Leader	Little Rock
L. A. Davis	College President	Pine Bluff
Herbert Davidson	Editor	Daytona Beach
L. E. Thomas	Lawyer	Miami
G. D. Rogers, Jr.	Businessman	Tampa
R. P. Daniel	Lawyer	Jacksonville
Arthur J. Moore	Clergyman	Atlanta
Harry V. Richardson	Seminary President	Atlanta
Rufus E. Clement	University President	Atlanta
Morris Abram	Lawyer	Atlanta
Benjamin E. Mays	College President	Atlanta
Richard Rich	Businessman	Atlanta
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton	Social Worker	Atlanta
Josephine Wilkins	Organizational Leader	Atlanta
Rufus B. Atwood	College President	Frankfort
Hugh Brimm	Clergyman	Louisville
A. W. Dent	University President	New Orleans

V. J. O'Connell	Clergyman	New Orleans
Florence Sytz	Social Worker & Dean	New Orleans
Felton Clark	College President	Baton Rouge
Jacob L. Reddix	College President	Jackson
Alexander Kline	Rabbi	Clarksdale
A. D. Stewart	Businessman	Amory
Howard W. Odum	Professor	Chapel Hill
Clyde Milner	College President	Guilford College
Marion A. Wright	Lawyer	Linville Falls
O. D. Duncan	Professor	Stillwater
A. Maceo Smith	Housing Official	Dallas
Will W. Alexander	Farmer	Chapel Hill
J. M. Dabbs	Farmer	Mayesville, S. C.
James L. Coker	Businessman	Hartsville
Mrs. C. C. Withington	Church Leader	Greenville
Charles S. Johnson	University President	Nashville
E. W. Palmer	Businessman	Kingsport
Mrs. E. U. Robinson	Church Leader	Franklin
Paul Christopher	Labor Leader	Knoxville
Z. A. Looby	Lawyer	Nashville
Carter Wesley	Editor	Houston
Stanley Marcus	Businessman	Houston
W. L. Clayton	Businessman	Houston
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor	Church Leader	Houston
Maury Maverick, Jr.	Lawyer	San Antonio
John G. Pollard	Farmer	Somers
Arthur W. Mitchell	Farmer	Petersburg
Alonzo Morón	College President	Hampton
Virginius Dabney	Editor	Richmond
Gordon Hancock	Clergyman & Professor	Richmond

This is a total of 19 Negroes and 33 whites. By profession, the breakdown is: 4 church leaders, 4 farmers, 8 businessmen, 4 editors, 10 professional men, 6 clergymen, 14 academic persons, and 2 labor leaders.

This is a total of 52 persons. Presumably, a Board of this kind would have as additional full members approximately 24 persons serving ex officio on this Board, by virtue of their positions as top officials of State Divisions or State organizations of the Council.

II. In the event that the membership meeting should wish merely to bring the existing Board up to full strength, it would be in order to make 30 nominations to the 30 vacancies on the Board as at present constituted. If so large a number should be elected, it would be desirable to arrange for staggered terms.

Harry Ashmore
William Mitch
U. S. Bond
Mrs. E. L. Rauschkolb
L. A. Davis
G. D. Rogers, Jr.
R. P. Daniel
Richard Rich
Josephine Wilkins

Hugh Brimm		
V. J. O'Connell		
H. Brent Schaeffer	Clergyman	Jackson
Alexander Kline		
A. D. Stewart		
Mrs. C. C. Withington		
Z. A. Looby		
Morton Tendler	Physician	Memphis
A. Maceo Smith		
Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor		
R. O'Hara Lanier	University President	Houston
W. L. Clayton		
E. A. Johnson	State President, NAACP	Natchitoches
Isadore Franzblau	Rabbi	Bristol
A. S. Turnipseed	Clergyman	Montgomery
Mrs. A. A. Hardy	Church Leader	Thomaston, Ga.
Ernest Neal	Professor	Tuskegee
Harold DeWitt	Social Worker	Richmond
Harry W. Roberts	Professor	Petersburg, Va.
Mrs. Henry Havens	Church Leader	Jacksonville
Paul Christopher		
J. M. Dabbs		

III. In the event that the membership meeting directs the collapsing of the present Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee into a single, small Executive Board (17 members has been discussed):

F. D. Patterson		
Harry Ashmore		
Herbert Davidson		
Harry V. Richardson		
Rufus E. Clement		
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton		
Rufus B. Atwood		
Hugh Brimm		
A. W. Dent		
V. J. O'Connell		
Florence Sytz		
Jacob L. Reddix		
Howard W. Odum		
John H. Wheeler	Businessman	Durham
Charlotte Hawkins Brown	College President	Greensboro
J. M. Dabbs		
Carter Wesley		
Gordon Hancock		

IV. In the event that, in addition to a small Executive Board, there should be established a large Advisory Committee:

All of those listed under (I), above, not listed under (III), above.

If you will send back your comments, it should be possible to have another composite list available for such members of the Nominating Committee as are present at the membership meeting December 12.

Use your pencil freely for crossings out or additions, please.

On the advice of those members of the Nominating Committee who could be consulted in person, the above lists have been made up on the supposition that all of the Council's longtime friends will continue to be interested in it, whether they are on the Board or not. With this in mind, many names of persons greatly interested in the Council are not on the lists, and in their stead are names of persons whose knowledge of and sympathy with the work of the Council may be as yet small, but whom it is believed would become earnest and helpful in the Council's work.

Good if we could have your comments by November 25.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia
November 14, 1951

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE TO MAKE NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Here is a letter going out to members of the Committee to Nominate Members of the Board of Directors.

Under the existing by-laws of the Council, the Executive Committee is composed of 7 members, in addition to the President and Vice-Presidents and Counsel. The Executive Director and Associate Executive Director are ex officio members of the Committee, but without vote. The Executive Committee is the creature of the Board of Directors, and the 7 members elected to the Executive Committee are, of necessity, members of the Board of Directors.

The present Executive Committee is: Paul D. Williams, President; John H. Wheeler, Vice-President (resigning as Vice-President); Harold L. Trigg, Vice-President; Carter Wesley, Vice-President; Guy B. Johnson, Vice-President; Leonard Haas, Counsel; Charles S. Johnson, Chairman of Executive Committee; Marion Wright; Gordon Hancock; Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton; Paul Christopher; Rufus E. Clement; Msgr. T. J. McNamara.

Of the existing Executive Committee, 4 elected members will have to be replaced, as their terms of membership on the Board of Directors expire at the end of 1951. They are: Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Msgr. T. J. McNamara, Gordon Hancock, and Paul Christopher. Under the existing by-laws, the first three of these are ineligible for reelection to the Board, having served two terms. Paul Christopher is eligible to be elected to a second term on the Board, and if so elected, he could serve on the Executive Committee. John Wheeler has expressed a wish to resign his office because of inability to give time to it.

Your Committee is free to make nominations and the Board is free to make elections of an entire new slate of members of the Executive Committee, should that be the wish of the Board. Alternatively, your Committee could simply nominate persons to replace those who must necessarily leave the Executive Committee or who are resigning.

If you do the latter, your slate of nominees would read: Charles S. Johnson, Marion A. Wright, Rufus E. Clement, plus 4 nominations to the vacancies.

In making nominations for elected members of the Executive Committee, you would be safe in using either (a) any of the following members of the Board (all being persons whose terms expire later than 1951):

R. R. Wright, Jr.	Clergyman	Little Rock
Herbert Davidson		
Morris Abram		

F. D. Patterson		
Benjamin E. Mays		
Harry V. Richardson		
V. J. O'Connell		
Florence Sytz		
D. Swan Haworth	Clergyman	Vicksburg
Will W. Alexander		
Clyde Milner		
N. C. Newbold	Professor	Raleigh
Howard W. Odum		
R. B. Wellons		
O. D. Duncan		
Charles S. Johnson		
E. W. Palmer		
Virginius Dabney		
Arthur Raper	Government Official	Vienna, Va.
P. B. Young	Editor	Norfolk
Charles Mantinband	Rabbi	Florence, Ala.
Mrs. Warren Zeuch	Church Leader	Vero Beach, Fla.
Rufus E. Clement		
John A. Griffin	Professor	Atlanta
Armand May	Businessman	Atlanta
L. D. Milton	Businessman	Atlanta
Glenn W. Rainey	Professor	Atlanta
Forrester B. Washington	Professor	Atlanta
E. A. McDowell	Clergyman	Louisville
C. H. Parrish	Professor	Louisville
E. A. Penick	Clergyman	Raleigh
Charlotte Hawkins Brown		
Marion A. Wright		
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie	Lawyer	Atlanta
A. T. Butler		Columbia
James L. Coker		
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman	Church Leader	Columbia
Carter Wesley		
Alonzo G. Moron		
Arthur W. Mitchell		

(b) You would be comparatively safe in making selections from any of the names under (II) in the attached memorandum to the other Committee.

Turn now to the problem of nominating officers of the Council.

You are free to bring in a whole new slate if you wish. Whether you make replacements or whether you propose an entire new slate of officers, you are free to choose anybody you want. The officers have not necessarily to be members of the Board.

In summary, we need two things from you: (1) Your nominations for membership on the Executive Committee; (2) Your nominations for officers of the Council.

If you will send your wishes in, the staff will try to get together a composite slate and send that out again for your approval in time for it to be available at the meetings of the Board on December 11 and 12. To meet the time schedule, I should have a reply from you in a few days.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:ec
Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence.

C O P Y

Sent to all members of special committee

February 8, 1951

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Johnson:

Both the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Council on November 7 and the membership meeting on November 8 expressed a strong desire to have the policy and program of the Southern Regional Council carefully reviewed in hope that agreed long-range policy could be worked out. There was strong suggestion also that the committee to take on this task should obtain advice from persons qualified in special branches of modern social studies.

Additionally, the Council faces just now the need for developing most carefully one or two major foundation appeals, and the advice of the special committee will be sought in shaping proposals of this kind.

I have chosen as suitable persons to be on the committee the following:

Dr. Charles S. Johnson, Chairman
Marion Wright, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Secretary
Dr. Harry V. Richardson
Dr. Harold L. Trigg
Rev. Vincent J. O'Connell
Dr. Howard W. Odum
John A. Griffin
Morris Abram
Dr. A. W. Dent
James M. Dabbs

I do greatly hope that you will be willing to accept this duty. The project-proposal material could be distributed by mail, but it will be necessary for the committee to meet once or twice in the early spring. The Council will expect to pay the expenses of the committee members.

I do hope that you can write me that you will be willing to lend your thought in this way toward working out the most statesmanlike policy for the Council and the South.

I am enclosing an appraisal of the Council which was prepared and read

by Dr. George Mitchell at one of our Executive Committee meetings. I think you will find it stimulating and helpful in the work of the committee on which I sincerely hope you will serve.

Sincerely,

Paul D. Williams
President

PDW:er
Encl.

C O P Y

Sent to all members of special committee

The first meeting of the committee has been set for Saturday, March 3, at 1:30 P.M. at the Council's office in Atlanta.

This will be the same day as a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Council.

Luncheon at the Council's office at 12:30 for all members of both committees.

The special committee should finish its meeting by 5 P.M.

Special Committee

INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHAPEL HILL

February 23, 1951

Mr. Paul D. Williams
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Williams:

I shall be glad to be a member of your committee under the limited service prospects mentioned below.

I am sorry I have been delayed in going over the appraisal of the Southern Regional Council and writing you about it. I am talking with Guy Johnson and will give him my proxy and appraisal.

My failure to come to the meeting is not any indication of slacking of interest. I am just now canceling engagements for the Daniel's Lecture and others at Texas and my appearance before the Southwest Sociological Society because I can't get away at this time.

Cordially yours,

HOWARD W. ODUM

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February 26, 1951

Mr. Paul D. Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Williams:

Here is a report on the expected attendance at Saturday's meeting and the acceptances so far of membership on the special committee.

Of Executive Committee members, the following have returned their cards and indicated that they will come:

Paul Williams	Grace Hamilton
Paul Christopher	Charles Johnson
Rufus Clement	Guy Johnson
Leonard Haas	Marion Wright

The following named to the special committee have indicated that they accepte membership and will come:

James M. Dabbs	Grace Hamilton
A. W. Dent	Charles Johnson
John A. Griffin	Marion Wright

Dr. Odum has accepted membership on the special committee, but cannot attend the meeting. He has given Guy Johnson his proxy.

Sincerely,

Beth Rogers
Secretary to George S. Mitchell

SPECIAL COMMITTEE
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
March 3, 1951 - 1:30 a.m.

A G E N D A

Summary Finance Report

Statement of purposes of Committee

Report of the Executive Director

Foundation Appeal

June 7, 1950

Mr. Arthur Levin
Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith
11 Pryor Street, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Art:

Enclosed is a copy of the minutes of the Annual Meeting, November 9, 1949. They must be approved by three members in attendance at the meeting before they can be officially recorded in the Good Book.

As one who attended the meeting, will you be good enough to read the minutes and make corrections if and where they are needed? If you find them correct, return them to me with a statement that you have read and approved them.

Many thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:er

June 7, 1950

Miss Lucy Randolph Mason
79½ Poplar Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Mason:

Enclosed is a copy of the minutes of the Annual Meeting, November 9, 1949. They must be approved by three members in attendance at the meeting before they can be officially recorded.

As one who attended the meeting, will you be good enough to read the minutes and make corrections if and where they are needed? If you find them correct, return them to me with a statement that you have read and approved them.

Many thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:er

June 7, 1950

Mr. Lester Persells
909 Georgia Savings Bank Building
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Les:

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Many thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:er

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NATIONAL CATHOLIC RURAL LIFE CONFERENCE

MOST REV. EDWIN V. O'HARA, D.D., *Honorary President*
MOST REV. WILLIAM T. MULLOY, D.D., *Episcopal Adviser*
MOST REV. JOHN P. TREACY, D.D., *President* . . LA CROSSE, WIS.
VERY REV. JAMES S. FOLEY, *1st V.-Pres.* . . MOUNT HOLLY, N. J.
DR. PAUL SACCO, *2nd V.-Pres.* . . . . . DAVENPORT, IOWA
MOST REV. EDWARD C. DALY, O.P., D.D., *Moderator*
REV. JOSEPH B. GREMILLION, *3rd V.-Pres.* . . . . SHREVEPORT, LA.
MR. ALBA GROVES, *4th V.-Pres.* . . . . . VIROQUA, WIS.
MR. FRANK BRUCE, *Recording Secretary* . . . MILWAUKEE, WIS.
MR. JOSEPH TRAINER, *Treasurer* . . . . . NEWTON, PA.

REV. JOSEPH B. GREMILLION
~~1103 Grover~~
~~Broadmoor~~ 216 Patton,
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

Third Vice-President

November 3, 1950

Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

I acknowledge your announcement of the Council meeting to be held on November 8 in Atlanta.

It is with deep regret that I report my inability to attend. However, do not take this as indicative of lack of interest.

With kindest personal regards, I remain,

Sincerely in Christ,

J. B. Gremillion

Father J. B. Gremillion

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EXCERPTS FROM FULL NOTES

ON GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, NOVEMBER 8, 1950

Mr. Wright was of the opinion that the weakening of the local interracial groups might be partially explained by the fact that the goals which the groups had set themselves were actually being realized. For example, they came into being when it was almost beyond reason to think that Negroes would vote, or would enter State universities, so that whites and Negroes organized to obtain those rights. In less than 25 years, those righte either exist or are just around the corner. Perhaps the slackening at the moment is due to the fact that action is being taken by the courts and has passed out of our hands.

Mr. Saporta: We should not sit back and be complacent about what has been achieved. Rapprochement on a local level is just as important as on the national level. We have had an interesting experience at Georgia Tech. The Tech boys are a good cross-section of Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and they have all the expected prejudices. We don't think a direct approach on the matter of segregation will do much good; but here is the sort of thing that is happening. This year one of their problems had to do with slum clearance. We encouraged them to talk to representatives of the Negro group during their investigation of facilities. Through that contact they have come to admire representatives of the Negro race; they saw that there is not so much difference as they had thought; they found that the Negro people they talked to were far more help than the whites. And when time came to pick a jury to judge their work, they themselves proposed that Negroes be included. Southern young people are much further

ahead than we think. They are ready to accept the breaking down of artificial barriers.

Mrs. Tilly spoke of her experiences with local groups in the past few months. The committees that have been organized recently feel that they have a real place of service because of the school situation. But it is hard to get new groups organized because of the political campaigns. She herself did not feel as pessimistic as some here seem to. The average white person may be farther away from Negroes, but, in Georgia at least, it is due to the type of political campaign that has been waged rather than to the Supreme Court decisions. We find a white person to go to bat for good things in every community. And if we are father apart, at least more people are thinking about the subject than ever before. One of the things we need may be leadership.

Mrs. Tilly mentioned also that in Thomasville, Georgia, the County Superintendent of Schools is on the local interracial committee.

Dr. Moron said that in his observation, during the last two years the barrier of segregation is being attacked by a solid Negro group and not by an interracial group. Even after the court issues an order, there remains the problem of implementing the order. The court can say there must be a new school, but we don't have anything like a corps of Negroes and whites who can work at getting a bod issue promoted. Mr. Wright's remarks, he said, caused him concern, because one of the greatest needs for interracial cooperation is in matters affected by court decisions.

Mrs. Tilly thought that the Atlanta school suit had done Georgia some good. There is a feeling that something has to be

done to improve schools so that segregation won't be broken down. A recent meeting of school superintendents in Athens had a session on Negro schools, and almost every superintendent wanted to go into that session. The suits are really bringing some groups together who feel they have to work things out together.

Mr. Shea thought that indications were that we have moved beyond the paternalistic phase; in church organization, for instance, we are beyond the stage where race relations means having suppers together. Now Negroes are going to take part in governments. The paternalist gets cold feet. We are losing those who don't want to stand up and be counted with us. The old guard is falling from our ranks, and we find the new guard willing to go forward. We can now go to those who have felt the effect of education and are willing to go along with us. Our key to the future is to emphasize our activities everywhere we can.

Dr. Mays wondered whether, if we are in a slack period, it is not a temporary inevitability. Years ago when the fight was to get high schools where there were no high schools, it was very easy to get outstanding ministers and professors to say, Yes, Negroes ought to have high schools, and to sign petitions. But when we move up on the level where we ask, not for high schools, but for high schools just as good as anybody else's, when we say that if the schools aren't just as good, then we want to get into your schools -- then segregation is being threatened. Dr. Mays believed that it is a sign of progress that there is a temporary period of falling off.

Mrs. Hamilton pointed out that an important question is the role of the Council. Perhaps the Council needs to look at

the basis on which it is asking the people of the South for support, and perhaps we must be firmer and more forthright than we have felt it was wise to be.

Pointing out that the topic of the role of local interracial committees was chosen by the planning committee for discussion with certain considerations in mind, Dr. Moron asked the Executive Director to comment at this point.

Dr. Mitchell made the point that the strain and change coming out of the war situation make it important to organize every possible resource that crosses the barriers of race. It is of the greatest importance that we organize in every community across the South. More local communities should use the Home Town Self-Survey; he mentioned briefly what had been accomplished in Greenville. Though the survey there was too limited in scope, great results have been achieved. The important thing is not to found a whole new series of interracial committees; the important thing is to find the people who can work together.

Dr. Dent mentioned his own comment in the morning session. It had seemed to him that the greatest single factor contributing to the lack of understanding in the South is the separation in schools. He thought that the Council could not be effedtive until it said whether it wanted ultimately to see segregation eliminated. This affects our whole philosophy of education. He thought that we have reached the point where, if we are going to take the leadership in social planning in the South, we have to face this problem and say that our ultimate goal is the elimination of segregation in education because we think that is the largest single barrier to understanding. If we think of every

situation in terms of that long-range objective we will command more respect than we now do. Dr. Dent did not think public statements were necessary, but he thought we need to commit ourselves to this long-fange goal among ourselves. It was his opinion that the South is at present moving toward the elimination of segregation in education, and that human understanding between people in the South would come only as that goal is reached.

Father Egan thought that an important factor was the lack of religious leadership. The issue is a moral one, involving matters of rights and duties. With proper religious leadership, change would come faster than it is coming now, and he thought the Council should place more emphasis on such leadership.

Dr. Mays spoke in support of Mr. Dent. He thought that support would be lacking in the South whether the Council declared itself against segregation or for equality under segregation. It was his belief that if the Council takes a stand it will get more support than ever before, provided that its statement is prudent.

Mr. Neal: At each critical period in the South, when we could have voted on the right side, we have dodged the issue. I would like to see a motion against segregation made by a native Southern white man and seconded by another.

Dr. Washington made the point that the only action that had been discussed was action such as was taken years ago. He proposed that an outside group, made up of cultural anthropologists, social psychologists, etc., who can consider objectively all the ideas that have been talked about, be brought in to study the situation, the goals proposed today, and examine what has been successful in the rest of the country. The study should be one that would end in amelioration. It was his opinion that if such

a proposal were offered to a foundation, we would get the money to carry it out.

Asked to make his suggestion as a formal motion, Dr. Washington stated it as follows: That an outside body made up of experts in areas of improving human relations, selected from all over the country, be organized, and that the Executive Committee be asked to select such a group of experts provisionally and approach a foundation for funds to engage them to study our goals.

Mr. Jones cited the experience of the Detroit race riots and said that the problem is not one of understanding by experts, but of getting that understanding down to the people who need it.

Mr. Griffin offered an amendment to Mr. Washington's proposal, as follows: That this meeting propose a committee from among its own members to study the proposal more carefully than can be done at this meeting and to call on the experts.

Mr. Washington expressed himself as in agreement with the amendment.

Dr. Dent thought that the need was for experts to implement our objectives, not to determine the Council's goals.

Mr. Newbold proposed that, if there is a serious cleavage among the group present, no hasty action be taken with regard to changing the purpose and objectives of the organization, and that the organization continue along somewhat the same lines for the coming year. Mr. Williams, in response, said that he thought nothing drastic was proposed, and that the special committee could explore matters fully.

On motion of Mr. Griffin, duly seconded, it was voted that the Board be empowered to appoint a committee to look into important matters of policy, having in mind the possibility of calling in expert guidance to finance a large program in human relations.

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

November 8, 1950, 9:30-4:30

AGENDA

9:30 Registration

10:00 Convening of Meeting

Invocation

10:05 Purposes of the meeting -- President Paul D. Williams

10:20 Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

11:00 Discussion groups

A. Meets in Lounge, 2nd floor

Selection of summarizer

Resource people: Charles Mantinband
Harry V. Richardson
Marion A. Wright

B. Meets in Club Room, 2nd floor

Selection of summarizer

Resource people: Mrs. James S. Crate
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Alonzo Moron

Topics suggested:

1. On approcahes to interracial understanding through what teachers teach in the schools
2. Preparedness for stress -- local interracial committees
3. Statement on public schools administration
4. Other program -- self-surveys; Race in the News; others

12:15 Luncheon Interval

12:30 Luncheon

1:45 Reconvene as a body

1. Oral reports from summarizers

2. Discussion

2:30 Questions to staff members

George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Mrs. Norma Huff, Secretary-Treasurer
Harold C. Fleming, Director of Information
Mrs. Harold C. Fleming, Director of Research
Mrs. Bertha Johnson, Membership Secretary

3:00 Report of Chairman of Finance Committee

3:20 Budget for 1951

3:40 Report of Resolutions Committee

3:50 Report of Nominations Committee

4:00 Election of new Board members

4:15 Adjournment

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
JANUARY 1, 1950 to OCTOBER 31, 1950

INCOME:		
Contributions (See Exhibit "A")	26,495.78	
Membership Dues	3,797.30	
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature	1,014.73	
Honoraria	618.75	
New South Subscriptions	423.44	
TOTAL INCOME		32,304.00
EXPENSES:		
Salaries	18,235.16	
Fund Raising Fee	6,000.00	
Travel	2,548.48	
Printing - New South & Misc. Lit.	1,712.65	
Office Supplies	1,174.93	
Rent	1,157.00	
Postage	1,035.30	
Telephone & Telegraph	672.59	
Press Clippings	183.00	
Audit	135.00	
Interest	75.50	
Books & Magazine Subscriptions	67.20	
Meetings and Luncheons	15.81	
Miscellaneous	14.50	
Bank Charges	9.70	
Insurance	9.00	
Special Services	5.00	
Returned Checks	2.50	
TOTAL EXPENSES		33,053.32
INCREASE OF DEFICIT		$ 749.32-

Exhibit "A"

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED
JANUARY 1, 1950 to OCTOBER 31, 1950

CHURCH SOURCES:			
Methodist:			
Division of Home Missions	750.00		
Women's Div. of Christian Service, Bd. of Missions	1,000.00		
Board of Education	200.00		
Women's Society of Christian Service:			
Kentucky	25.00		
Mississippi	25.00		
Memphis	25.00		
Tennessee	40.00		
Alabama	10.00		
North Carolina	25.00	2,100.00	
Catholic Sources:			
Catholic Missionary Union	1,000.00		
The Cardinal-Archbishop of Chicago	1,000.00		
Cath. Committee of South	125.00	2,125.00	
American Friends Service Comm.		1,000.00	
Episcopal:			
Women's Auxiliary, Natl. Council, Diocese of Fla.		15.00	
TOTAL CHURCH SOURCES			5,240.00
FOUNDATIONS:			
Phelps-Stokes Fund		1,000.00	
Edgar Stern Family Fund		300.00	
Marshall Field Foundation		2,500.00	
Sigmund Silberman Foundation		250.00	
William C. Whitney Foundation		1,000.00	
TOTAL FOUNDATIONS			5,050.00
OTHER SOURCES:			
Mr. and Mrs. John Hay Whitney		2,000.00	
Anonymous Manufacturer		1,000.00	
United Steelworkers of America-CIO		1,000.00	
Textile Workers Union of America-CIO		500.00	
U.A.W.-CIO		500.00	
South Carolina State Division		15.00	
General Contributions		2,350.06	7,365.06

(Continued)

Exhibit "A"

Schedule of Contributions Continued

STATE EFFORTS:		
Georgia	3,422.50 1/	
South Carolina	1,255.88 3/	
Tennessee	828.00	
Virginia	732.00	
Alabama	536.84	
Texas	495.00	
Louisiana	469.00 2/	
North Carolina	401.00	
Kentucky	285.50	
Mississippi	259.00	
Florida	156.00	8,840.72
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS		26,495.78

1/ includes Abram-Haas Atlanta Emergency Appeal - $1,520.00
2/ includes $300.00 Edgar Stern Family Fund
3/ includes $174.00 South Carolina dues returned to complete pledge

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STATE PLEDGES

	Pledged	Paid
ALABAMA	500.00	536.84
FLORIDA	—	156.00
GEORGIA	2,350.00	3,422.50
KENTUCKY	1,000.00	285.50
LOUISIANA	500.00	469.00
MISSISSIPPI	2,000.00	259.00
NORTH CAROLINA	2,000.00	401.00
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,250.00	1,255.88
TENNESSEE	1,000.00	828.00
TEXAS	500.00	495.00
VIRGINIA	800.00	732.00
TOTALS	11,900.00	8,840.72

Exhibit "B"

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
SCHEDULE OF LIABILITIES
OCTOBER 31, 1950

Thomas F. Byrd		6,000.00
Dr. George S. Mitchell, Loan and Interest		1,575.00
Stein Printing Co.		557.95
State Divisions:		
Alabama	18.00	
Arkansas	1.50	
Florida	7.50	
Kentucky	6.50	
Mississippi	16.50	
North Carolina	18.50	
South Carolina	2.50	
Tennessee	9.00	80.00
Salaries:		
Dr. George S. Mitchell	312.50	
Mrs. Norma Huff	116.66	429.16
Withholding Taxes		191.10
Travel:		
Dr. George S. Mitchell	37.11	
W. W. Alexander	67.00	104.11
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co.		49.16
Gershon Printing Co.		42.00
Clipping Service		28.30
Columbia Ribbon & Carbon Co.		25.65
Dictating Machine Co.		11.88
Milton Jones Co.		9.50
Ivan-Allan-Marshall Co.		6.50
F. G. Bernal Co.		5.20
Elliott's Addressing Machine Co.		3.27
Office Supply Co.		2.25
TOTAL		$ 9,121.03

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~~Thanks~~ corresp.

November 10, 1950

Mrs. Hazel Griffith
762½ Beckwith, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Hazel:

On behalf of the staff, I want to thank you for your very great kindness in helping us on the day of our annual membership meeting. I enclose a check which is far too small to reflect our appreciation, but we hope it will help toward meeting your expenses of Wednesday.

We do hope you will come to the office again, meet the staff, and become further acquainted with the Council.

Our kindest regards.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:jwh

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JOHN H. WHEELER, DURHAM
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Memorandums
Board Mtg & Membership

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

MEMORANDUM

To: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
From: PAUL D. WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT

Subject: CALL FOR BOARD MEETING APRIL 22, 1950, 10:00 A.M. Meeting to be held at the Council's own offices, 63 Auburn Ave., N.E., Atlanta

You will recall my letter of February 20, cautioning that an emergency meeting of the Board might become necessary, and asking you to hold April 22.

The Executive Committee met March 31, to canvass the situation. They found that, in spite of the efforts made by the staff and by the committee members, adequate funds have not been raised. Some good-sized gifts are in prospect, but not in hand. If the Council is to continue through the year, even on the present reduced basis, and meet all its obligations, it will require $23,000 beyond the income clearly expectable. About $5,000 of that can probably be found from individual or foundation gifts.

It seemed to the Executive Committee that the best plan for raising the remaining $18,000 was to ask our Board members and Division heads in each State to raise $2,000. The Board when it convenes may approve that plan, and undertake to see it through. Or the Board may find another plan, or decide on some other course -- including liquidation of the Council.

Between now and April 22 you are urged by the Executive Committee to get such a plan under way in your State, and to come to the Board meeting with as much in hand or committed as possible. We are asking the Head of your State Division to talk with you about what the several Board members, with their friends, can do.*

This is THE emergency. For this cause we count on your use of time and your respected place in the community to pull in what will keep the Council at work.

If you will really, and put this through, there is some grounds for believing that we can have an easier financial situation in future years. But you must, this time, show your support.

*Three States we thought should be exempted. South Carolina because on its own it raised just lately all it could. Mr. Dabbs, as Chairman of the South Carolina Division, wrote each member in the State, and asked for donations to the Council's need. They came in. Arkansas because the Division there is brand-new. Oklahoma because we have so few members in the State. But the Executive Committee thought each of the others could raise $2,000.

April 3, 1950

Trumbman
Walker
Marsill
Treible, Elbert

PROCEDURE FOR ANNUAL MEETING IN CASE IT IS DECIDED TO ADOPT A SMALL EXECUTIVE BOARD:

I. Amend the by-laws under Articles 4 and 5 and 6 to conform with the proposed new by-laws as listed in the attached memorandum.

II. It is to be noted that the proposed new by-laws provide for the selection of an Advisory Council of 50 members, selection to be made by the Executive Board. Presumably, the Board would, in making its selection, avail itself of the list of nominees for such committee prepared for the 1951 annual meeting.

III. The nominating committee should divide the 14 elected members of the Executive Board into 4 categories, as required by the new by-laws. A suggested division:

For a term of one year:
Herbert Davidson
Josephine Wilkins

For a term of two years:
F. D. Patterson
Harry Richardson
Hugh Brimm
A. W. Dent

For a term of three years:
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Rufus E. Clement
Rufus B. Atwood
Howard W. Odum

For a term of four years
Rev. V. J. O'Connell
Jacob L. Reddix
Paul Christopher
J. M. Dabbs

Memorandum on regular procedure, Board of Directors, August, 1951

We now have 53 elected members,

Upper limit on elected members, 72.

We now have 11 State heads who are members of the Board.

We have also 5 officials who are members of the Board.

Eleven elected members have terms which expire in 1951.

Of the 11, only 3 are eligible for reelection.

If no elections were made in 1951, the Board would number in 1952, 42 elected members, 16 ex-officio members.

The 1951 annual meeting could either elect 30 persons to fill all electoral vacancies or elect some lesser number.

If the total number is elected, they should be given staggered terms. For instance, 10 in the class of '55, 10 in the class of '54, and 10 in the class of '53.

December 4, 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILES

Re: Board Membership, 1950

In contemplation of a full election of Board Members at the time of the 1950 membership meeting, GSM drew up the following list of desirable persons. Most of these names will be found on the list of approved nominations prepared by Mrs. Hortense Young as Chairman of the Nominating Committee for the year 1950.

Harry Ashmore, Arkansas
Don Shoemaker, North Carolina
R. P. Daniel,,Florida
Dr. W. A. Mason, Georgia
Mrs. E. U. Robinson, Tennessee
Dr. H. Long, Georgia
Miss Bethany Swearingen, Jackson, Miss.
Mrs. Lillian Rogers Johnson (Jeanes), Clarksdale, Miss.
Mrs. C. C. Withington, Greenville, S. C.
Mr. Culpepper, Georgia (Porters)
Webster Rhoads, Richmond, Va.
Ed Waller, Kentucky
Charles Smith, Virginia
J. L. Clark, Huntsville, Tex.
Paul Mellon, Virginia ?
Felton Clark, Louisiana
D. V. Jemison, Alabama
Ed Ray, Florida
Z. A. Looby, Tennessee. (how long did he serve? lost him at end of 40?)
Jacob L. Reddix, Mississippi
H. B. Schaeffer, Mississippi
Mrs. Moses Cantor, Johnson City, Tenn.

(Mrs. Tilly can recommend someone from Arkansas)

G.S.M.

GSM:er

December 4, 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILES

Re: 1950 elections to the Board of Directors.

The attached memorandum, prepared in June 1950, had by the annual meeting developed certain errors, as follows:

D. Swan Haworth orally accepted membership on the Board in a telephone conversation about November 1, 1950. So he is therefore a member in the class of 1952.

The Rev. Mr. J. H. Marmion, who during 1950 had been considered as a member, appears to have completed his term of office at the end of 1949, though no record seems to have been made of that. In any case, he sent in a written resignation about October 1950, as he had moved to Wilmington, Delaware.

George S. Mitchell

GSM:er

Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

Nov. 22, 1950

NORMA HUFF

This is official notification that Mr. Arthur Mitchell was elected a member of the Board November 8, 1950, and accepted November 16.

GSM

INFORMATION IN RE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, prepared for Executive Committee Meeting June 10, 1950

The Class of 1950 contains 14 persons now members of the Board. They are as follows:

Rufus B. Atwood, Kentucky
William E. Cole, Tennessee
Gerald P. O'Hara, Georgia
David D. Jones, North Carolina
Raymond Paty, Georgia
Philip Shulhafer, Georgia
Goodrich White, Georgia
Josephine Wilkins, Georgia

None of these are eligible for reelection, since 1950 marks the end of their second term.

Felton Clark, Louisiana
Emily Clay, Florida
D. V. Jemison, Alabama
Edgar W. Ray, Florida
Donald M. Comer, Alabama
Charles M. Smith, Virginia

Eligible for reelection.

Elected 1949 for unexpired terms which end in 1950.

In addition, the Class contains three vacancies:

Jessie Daniel Ames, North Carolina, resigned 1950
Luther D. Jackson, Virginia, Deceased 1950
Louis I. Jaffe, Virginia, deceased — 1950

Harmon 49

Thus the number of elections possible in filling this class is 17.

In addition, the following other vacancies are available:

One in the class of 1953, to which E. L. Abercrombie was elected, (1949) but did not accept.
One in the class of 1952, to which the Rev. Mr. D. Swan Haworth, of Mississippi, was elected in 1949, but which he did not accept.

Thus the total number of vacancies available is 19.

Of this number 8 are not eligible for reelection. Six are eligible for reelection, but one of the six (Donald Comer), has indicated that he wishes his term to expire in 1950.

In the room of the one person who resigned, and the two persons who died, election may be made to the class of 1954.

Thus the vacancies are as follows:

Class of 1954	17
Class of 1954	1
Class of 1952	1
Total	19

L Strauss
Mr Ed Robinson
Tom
W. Rhoads

The Vacancies by States are as Follows:

Totals	State	Mandatory	Eligible for Reelection	1953	1952
6	Georgia	5		1	
3	Virginia	2	1		
2	North Carolina	2			
2	Alabama	2			
2	Florida		2		
1	Tennessee	1			
1	Mississippi				1
1	Kentucky	1			
1	Louisiana		1		
0	Arkansas				
0	Texas				
0	Oklahoma				
0	South Carolina				
19					

As to fields of activity, the 19 vacancies classify as follows:

Educators	6	By race:	
Churchmen	3	Negroes	5
Church women leaders	1	Whites	13
Businessmen	2		
Newspaper editors	2		
Labor officials	1		
Foundations officials	1		
Woman Civic leaders	2		
Government official	1		

Among those eligible for reelection, we would clearly be strengthened by the reelection of:

Felton G. Clark, Educator, Louisiana
Charles M. Smith, Government Official, Virginia
D.V. Jemison, Churchman, Alabama
Edgar W. Ray, Newspaper Editor, Florida

The reelection of these would leave 15 vacancies to be filled
A suggested classification for replacements of the 15:

3 business leaders
2 churchmen
1 woman civic leader
2 church women leaders
2 newspaper editors
2 educators
1 labor official (A.F. of L.)
2 miscellaneous
15

The following names have been suggested for some of the vacancies:

Business leaders

Churchmen: The Rev. Matt. Warren, Episcopalian, Atlanta, Georgia

Women Civic Leaders: Mrs. Lillian Rogers Johnson, Jeanes Supervisor, Clarksdale, Mississippi
Miss Bethany Swearingen, Reference Librarian, Jackson, Mississippi

Church Women Leaders: Mrs. E. V. Robinson, Methodist, Tennessee
Mrs. C. C. Withington, Episcopalian, Greenville, S.C. Chairman of the Survey Committee there

Newspaper Editors: Harry Ashmore, Arkansas
Don Shoemaker, Asheville, North Carolina

Educators

Labor Officials: Mrs. Carmen Lucia, United Cap, Hat, and Millinery Workers, A.F. of L., Atlanta, Georgia

Miscellaneous: Mr. R. P. Daniel, Lawyer, Jacksonville, Fla. (second term, after interval)
Dr. H. Long, Atlanta Life Insurance Company, Georgia
Dr. Mason, Public Health Service, Atlanta, Georgia

S.R.C. Board of Directors - Membership

February 9th, 1950

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

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Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

12/4/50

To: Norma Huff

Some time in mid-1951 the question of standing committees will arise. Here is the list of standing committees for the 1950 meeting.

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Here are the Committees, as appointed June 10, 1950:

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Mrs. C. B. Smith

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Mrs. Jas. S. Crate

Recommendations for Vacancies on Standing Committees

Standing Committee of Membership to Nominate for Vacancies on the Board of Directors

Chairman Mrs. Hortense Young, Kentucky
Caroline Gellespie, South Carolina
Emerson Smith, Virginia
Dr. E. B. Perry, Texas
Mrs. C. B. Smith, Tennessee

Standing Committee on Resolutions

Chairman Marion Wright
Dr. Gordon Hancock
~~Josephine Wilkins~~ Grace Hamilton

Standing Committee of Board Members to Nominate for Vacancies on Executive Committee

Chairman John Griffin
Gordon Hancock
Mrs. James S. Crate

Bd of Directors

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EMORY UNIVERSITY, GEORGIA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 18, 1950

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Thank you for your letter of November 29, which in my absence was acknowledged by Miss Register.

Certainly I have been a most ineffective member of your Board, but I have genuine appreciation of and admiration for the work you are doing and I hope that a way may be found for it to go forward.

Sincerely yours,

Goodrich C. White

Goodrich C. White
President

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EMORY UNIVERSITY
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
EMORY UNIVERSITY, GEORGIA

February 28, 1944

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
710 Standard Building
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Johnson:

Thank you for your letter of February 24. I am glad to accept membership on the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council.

I regret that unexpected demands prevented my attendance on the recent meeting. I had planned to be there.

Sincerely yours,

Goodrich C. White

Goodrich C. White
President

GCW:MLH

I am glad you are in Atlanta and I look forward to seeing you soon

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
710 Standard Building
Atlanta 3, Georgia

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Annual Meeting Postponed

By vote of the Executive Committee the annual meeting of the Council, which would be held regularly on October 11, has been postponed. The date for the meeting has not yet been determined, but it seems likely that it will be some time between November 15 and December 7. We shall announce the date as soon as possible.

Cordially yours,

Guy B. Johnson

GUY B. JOHNSON
Executive Director

September 22, 1944

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

IRA DEA. REID
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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, Inc.

ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E.
ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Notice is hereby given that the regular meeting of members of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., will be held in the Exhibition Room of the Library Building of Atlanta University, 273 Chestnut Street, S. W., Atlanta, Georgia, on Wednesday, December 6, 1944, beginning at 10:30 A. M.

EMILY H. CLAY, SECRETARY

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Annual meeting 1945

Please fill in and return promptly to:

Miss Emily H. Clay, Secretary
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

I plan to attend the annual meeting at 10 A. M. Wednesday November 14 _____

I shall be unable to attend the annual meeting ---------- ✓

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PROXY

The undersigned, a member of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., hereby constitutes and appoints Howard W. Odum, Rufus E. Clement, Charles S. Johnson, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, and C. H. Gillman, or any one or more of them (with full power to act without the other), or _____, the proxy of the undersigned with full power of substitution to attend a meeting of the members of the Council to be held on Wednesday November 14, 1945, and any adjournment thereof, and to vote on all questions at the Proxy's complete discretion, with all the powers the undersigned would possess if personally present at said meeting.

SIGNED R. C. Beaty

DATE Dec. 31 1945

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EMILY H. CLAY, SECRETARY

October 18, 1946

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March 31, 1947

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

Mr. Williams has named a committee, composed of Msgr. McNamara, Mr. Haas, and yourself, to review the minutes of the annual meeting November 13, 1946. Won't you please look over the enclosed draft of the minutes and return them to me with any corrections you feel should be made. Please feel free to make any changes you wish. A self-addressed stamped envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

By this time I am sure that you know about my resignation from theoffice of Secretary-Treasurer. As I told Mr. Williams, the past nineteen months have been a wonderful experience to me, and I shall miss very much the associations with the board and staff. I shall, of course, continue my membership, and will see everyone once a year at least at the annual meetings.

Cordially yours,

Inez B. Tillison
Secretary-Treasurer

Same letter to Msgr. McNamara + Mr. Haas
Copy to Mr. Williams

March 31, 1947

Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta, Georgia

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Cordially yours,

Inez B. Tillison
Secretary-Treasurer

April 14, 1947

TO: DR. MITCHELL

FROM: INEZ B. TILLISON

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I took notes for the minutes of the Executive Committee November 12, Board meeting November 13, Board meeting November 13, 1946, and Executive Committee meeting February 26, 1947. Official copies of each are attached herewith.

The annual meeting minutes had to be approved by a Committee appointed by Mr. Williams: Mr. Haas, Dr. Clement, and Msgr. McNamara. I have just received letters from these three making corrections. Minutes are now being copied into the minute book. When the book is completed, the book will be turned over to you. Since the minute book contains official, permanent records of the corporation, it is always kept in the safe.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee should be held on May 28, the fourth Wednesday in the month. According to the by-laws, notices must be sent out at least ten days in advance of the meeting. It is best, however, to send notices more than ten days in advance so that people like Mr. Wesley, who has to come from such a distance, will have ample time to make reservations.

Dates of other regular quarterly meetings of the Executive Committee this year are August 27, and November 11, just before the annual meeting. The Board of Directors, as you know, meets also on the 11th of November, and the annual meeting is set for November 12th.

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October 3, 1947

Dear Board Member:

Enclosed herewith are the official notices of the annual meeting of the members and the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council, which will convene as follows:

Board of Directors
2 P. M. Tuesday November 11, 1947
Conference Room, Administration Building
Atlanta University, 223 Chestnut Street, S. W.

Members
10 A. M. Wednesday November 12
Exhibition Room, Library Building, Atlanta
University, 273 Chestnut Street, S. W.

We hope that you will be able to attend both meetings, and we shall appreciate receiving the accompanying blank as quickly as possible in order that we may know whether or not to expect you. A self-addressed envelope is enclosed for this purpose.

Please let us know immediately if you wish to have us make your room reservation. The expense of travel and entertainment of Board members during the meeting will be defrayed by the Council. An expense blank will be furnished at the time of the Board meeting.

Cordially yours,

Agnes McKoy

AGNES McKOY, SECRETARY

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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
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AGNES McKOY, SECRETARY

October 1, 1947

(PLEASE FILL IN AND RETURN THIS BLANK AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT.)

Date _____

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

I plan to attend the meeting of the Board of Directors
at 2:00 P. M. Tuesday November 11 ---------- _____

I shall be unable to attend the Board Meeting---------- _____

I plan to attend the annual meeting at 10 A. M.
Wednesday November 12 (with registration beginning
at 9:30 A. M.)---------- _____

I shall be unable to attend the annual meeting---------- _____

I should like to have you make my room reservation---------- _____

I shall make my own reservation---------- _____

I shall reach Atlanta at_____ on _____.
(hour) (date)

SIGNED_____

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AGNES MCKOY, SECRETARY

September 29, 1947

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November 7, 1947

Dear Board Member:

This year we are putting all staff report material for the year 1947 into the November issue of New South which is being mailed to you today.

Please try to read that issue with care before you get to the Board Meeting.

In that way the time of the Board Meeting will be cleared of reports and the Board can give full attention to program for 1948.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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TO HEADS OF STATE DIVISIONS AND AFFILIATED INTERRACIAL COMMITTEES

August 4, 1948

Mrs. Warren Zeuch
Vero Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Zeuch:

The Council's annual report to the membership for 1947-48 needs to be in print October 1 so that it can get out to the members a month before the Annual Meeting.

We want to have in that annual report good material from each State Division or affiliated Committee.

We had the idea here that the best thing we could get would be a running summary from each State of the major developments or the big changes and events in the public life of each State during the year since October 1, 1947, and, interwoven with that, some account of the work of the Committee or Division as it related to those changes. We and you are concerned, of course, with progress or slip-backs for everybody. After all, each thing you did, you did against a background of public change.

Space is limited. We don't ask for a major essay. It ought to be, say, three double-spaced, typewritten pages, and we would cut that down in editing.

Enclosed is a checklist of suitable topics. You might want to pick from it things that apply, or substitute others.

What we really aim at is a neat nugget that tells the main things that went on in your State in the Council's and your own general field of work, together with comments on how your own organization fitted into the developments.

Our deadline is September 1. Will you be good enough to make a masterful effort to meet it?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

Enclosure: Checklist
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SUGGESTED CHECKLIST FOR ANNUAL REPORTS

OF SRC DIVISIONS AND AFFILIATES

ORGANIZATION

1. Increase in membership, membership drives, etc.
2. Paid personnel, field secretary; trips, speeches, meetings.
3. Organizational changes - board of directors, committees.

HEALTH

1. Additional hospital facilities, health clinics, and other public health services, for white and colored.
2. Increased opportunities or facilities for Negro doctors and nurses, greater cooperation between white and Negro personnel.

SANITATION

Street improvements, garbage collection, better drainage, sewage disposal, etc.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

1. Employment of Negro policemen (or progress in that direction.)
2. Action to combat police brutality and other injustices, legal aid.
3. Institution of race relations courses by police departments, higher standards of selection of police officers.

EDUCATION

1. Construction of new school plants, or improvements of old ones, for whites and Negroes.
2. Equalization of teachers' salaries, employment of additional teachers, higher standards for teachers, etc.
3. More equitable distribution of school funds.
4. Opening of new educational opportunities (e.g., modification of Kentucky Day Law to permit whites and Negroes to receive health education in same institution.)

RECREATION

Additional or improved parks, playgrounds, youth clubs, swimming pools, beaches, civic recreation centers, etc.

SUFFRAGE

1. Improved public attitudes toward Negro voting.
2. Correction of discriminatory practices at registration places and the polls.
3. Non-political activity to secure enlightened legislation.
4. Stimulation of voting consciousness amohg whites and Negroes.

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PUBLIC FACILITIES

Reduction of discrimination in public services, private and governmental--transportation, waiting rooms, department stores, etc.

CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

1. Meetings and discussion groups.
2. Letters, petitions, etc., to public officials.
3. Favorable newspaper publicity.
4. Negro representation on bodies of official and private agencies.
5. Negro jury service.
6. E xtended employment opportunities.

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October 8, 1948

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Dear Board Member:

Enclosed herewith are official notices of the annual membership meeting, and of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council. These will convene as follows:

Board of Directors
9:30 A. M. - 10:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 10th, 1948, - a brief pre-membership meeting to be held in the Conference Room, Administration Building, Atlanta University, 223 Chestnut St., S. W.

Membership
10:30 A. M., Wednesday, November 10th (Registration from 10:00 to 10:30) in the Exhibition Room of the Library Building, Atlanta University, 273 Chestnut Street, S. W.

Board of Directors
10:00 A. M., Thursday, November 11th, 1948. Conference Room, Administration Building, of Atlanta University, 223 Chestnut Street, S. W.

From the above you will note that the full meeting of the Board of Directors, formerly held on the afternoon preceding the membership meeting, has been shifted to the morning after; while the brief, post-membership meeting, usually held immediately following, has been made to precede the membership meeting.

The plan is that the brief, pre-membership meeting of the Board will hear the report of the Executive Committee, take such action as it sees fit, and then go in to the Membership Meeting. The morning after can then be given to the calm, wise, unhurried deliberative action, so characteristic of full meetings of the Board, with newly elected members taking part in planning for the coming year. We hope you will make every effort to be present for all three meetings as matters of great importance will be discussed and your thinking is needed.

Please fill in the attached blank and return it to us in the enclosed envelope as soon as you can, so that we may know whether to expect you. The expense of travel and entertainment of Board Members during the meetings will be defrayed by the Council, with an expense blank furnished you at the time of the meeting.

Cordially yours,

Agnes McKoy

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

Notes on Board and Annual meeting, 1950

Discussion by staff the following day.

A. The structure of the meeting was good. People seemed to favor the smaller discussion groups as arranged this year. However, the content of the discussions were poorly thought out by the staff and Executive Committee. It was suggested that this be done about a month ahead of time. Definite proposals to be discussed and acted upon should be given and a thorough briefing of discussion leaders should be an improvement.

B. Election day should be avoided and it was recommended by the secretary-treasurer that the annual meeting date be at least several days later in the month to allow adequate time for all the reports and clerical work to be completed. (The bank statements do not come to the office until several days after the close of the month.) The Executive Committee must approve a date other than that set by the by-laws.

C. The Phyllis Wheatly branch of the YWCA proved to be an excellent meeting place and their staff were extremely cooperative. However, the place of the annual meeting - their gym or auditorium, was a poor meeting place for this group. The acoustics were extremely poor and members sitting on the fringes didn't hear what was said. The smaller rooms used for the Executive Committee and Board were excellent.

Two members of the Board came this year without enough cash to get home on. We should have several hundred dollars in cash at the meeting to take care of these emergencies and for making change for members desiring to pay their dues.

D. It seemed that in general the membership did not absorb the critical financial situation. Is was thouroughly reported, but we must find a way to point out its seriousnous, and impress the group that their help is needed.

E. We didn't have staff reports this year and the general opinion seemed to be that the Council had done nothing since the last year. The meeting did not realized its affinity to the Council, nor did they give much evidence of knowing what the Council does. Discussion leaders should be well informed and the discussion groups (at least in the Board meeting) should be a representative cross-sections of the Board.

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BOARD & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBE S WHO WILL ATTEND THE
ANNUAL MEETING

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Dr. Rufus E. Clement (must leave city on the 12th)
Mr. Leonard Haas
Msgr. James McNamara
Miss Josephine Wilkins
Mr. Paul D. Williams

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Dr. Harold L. Trigg

BOARD MEMBERS.

Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames
Rabbi Stanley R. Brav
Miss Emily H. Clay
Mr. Ernest Dalpit
Dr. A. W. Dent
Dr. Clark Foreman
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Mr. R. B. Herbert
Reverend M. E. Jackson
Dr. Jemison
Dr. N. C. Newbold
Dr. C. H. Parish, Jr.
Dr. F. D. Patterson
Mr. J. S. Pollard
Mr. C. D. Rogers
Dr. J. W. Seabrook
Mr. Phillip Shulhafer (uncertain about mem. meeting)
Dr. John A. Griffin
Mrs. Alice N. Spearman
Mr. J. M. Tydings
Mr. M. A. Wright
Mrs. Warren T. Zeuch

Copy: Norma Huff ✓

August 22, 1950

Rev. W. W. Wilkie
2100 Wolfe Street
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Wilkie:

The by-laws of the Southern Regional Council provide that heads of State Divisions shall be ex officio members of the Board of Directors of the Council.

It is my privilege now to inform you of your inclusion in the Board of Directors.

The Board meets once a year at a stated date, the second Wednesday in November. That puts it this year on November 8, here in Atlanta. We have always hitherto found the money to pay the expenses of members of the Board in attending that annual meeting, and we hope to be sufficiently in funds to do that again this year.

It is an excellent Board, and we are delighted that you are a member of it.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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November 10, 1950

Mrs. Hortense Young
818 South 6th Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Young:

I thank you a lot for taking on the burden of being Chairman of the Nominating Committee and for collecting the various names.

I will write also to Dr. Perry and thank him for his kindness.

I do hope you got elected. I feel sure you did.

We had a scrappy meeting. Probably good for our soul, but not very good for our body. The reorganization plan kept bobbing up. While it was not proceeded with, it was sufficiently favored for it to look as though it ought to be put through next year. That would substitute for the Board and the Executive Committee, a single Executive Board with fourteen elected members. Part of the notion is that the Council's policy body should be a group of people small enough to meet more often. With that coming up, no one had much heart about electing new Board members to the great block of vacancies this year. In a year's time or less many of them would probably be asked to serve not on the Board but on an Advisory Committee.

On that account, no general election was held, but the Board itself was authorized to fill the three or four vacancies which had been created by death or removal. The Board chose to those vacancies, Mrs. E. V. Robinson, of Tennessee, and Mr. Louis Strauss and Mr. Arthur Mitchell, of Virginia.

We will be helped later on in the year by having the names you sent in.

Mrs. Cohn, of New Orleans, is now on the Board ex officio because

she was made acting head of the Louisiana Division, which was started up a few days ago.

Mr. Parrish will tell you about the meeting.

It will be the best of news when we hear that you are duly a member of the school board.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

Dict. November 9, 1950

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MANSIR TYDINGS, CHAIRMAN
R. B. ATWOOD, VICE CHAIRMAN
DR. O. T. BINKLEY, 2ND. VICE CHAIRMAN
MRS. HORTENSE YOUNG, SECRETARY
LEWIS D. COLE, TREASURER

DIRECTORS
MRS. E. F. HORINE
FRANK L. STANLEY
MRS. ANNA H. SETTLE
MRS. LUCY HARTH SMITH
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KENTUCKY DIVISION

LINCOLN RIDGE, KENTUCKY

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CHARLES T. STEELE
O. M. TRAVIS

November 5,1950

Dr.George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I am loathe to admit that I have misplaced all of information I received from your office concerning the vacancies on the Board of Directors. I took it to the Kentucky Division meeting several days ago and on returning home I must have put it up in a "safe place" - and the "safe" now escapes me.

Fortunately, the copy of Dr. Perry's nominees was not with the other. I am sending it just as he sent it to me.

I have not heard from the others on the committee.

I regret exceedingly that I am unable to make the trip this year to the meeting because I am in school studying and do not wish a cut against my record. To date I have not been absent nor late - just three more years to go with the ambition to keep the record so.

Our Kentucky Division wishes to nominate these three:

Dr. J.A.C.Lattimore, 1502 West Walnut St, Louisville.
Dr. Hugh Brimm, 206 MacArthur Dr., Louisville.
Dr. Irvin Sanders, University of Kentucky,Lexington.

The Nominating Committee also endorses former Congressman Arthur W. Mitchell,Chicago representative,now of Petersburg; Mrs. Cohn, New Orleans; and Miss Caroline Gillespie.

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As you have perhaps heard, again I am a candidate for election to the Louisville Board of Education. Tomorrow tells the tale - all of us have our fingers crossed. The outlook is very rosy, but anything can happen.

It is most encouraging howevery to have different people over the city telephone and offer to help in any way they can be used and send in checks to aid in financing the cause of representation for minority groups. For the first time in the memory of anyone, the Catholics have championed a candidate from their pulpits and throughout their organizations in an effort to help those who are in no position to help themselves completely because the election is nonpartisan and citywide. The Priest in one of the Negro churches who happened to hear me make the plea before the Mayor's Legislative Committee for an amendment to the Day Law which would enable Negroes to attend State schools where the governing boards so decide started the interest and the momentum has been increasingly heartening. Then a number of Jewish friends in the Americans For Democratic Action started to buttonholing their friends. The AFL Political League and CIO endorsed my candidacy in the daily papers. The Catholic newspaper wrote a fine editorial in my behalf Saturday urging its readers to vote for me and the Jewish candidate. There are three vacancies to be filled. I'll send you a telegram of the results by Wednesday.

Wishing you much success in your deliberations over the two-day period and being with you in spirit though not in flesh, I am

Most sincerely,

Hortense Young

Hortense H. Young
Chairman
Nominating Committee

November 1, 1950

Mrs. Hortense Young
818 South 6th Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Young:

Add items about Board membership.

Former Congressman Arthur W. Mitchell of Chicago, as you perhaps know, settled near Petersburg, where he farms and engages in good works. He offered some weeks ago to help the Council raise money, and to do it for no more than his travel expenses. He has already sent in memberships from a number of people which he got at church and other meetings. For this or that reason of delay, I have only just lately made the arrangement formal.

I think it would be rather a good thing if he were nominated to be a member of the Board. But I am not the one to judge that, and you have resources for deciding. So please do what you and your advisers think is right. My feeling is that, as he is a dignitary who is willing to help us, we should reward him in courtesy with some voice in the show. But again, you judge.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

October 26, 1950

Mrs. Hortense Young
818 South 6th Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Young:

Since Dr. Mitchell lastwrote you, several additional vacancies have occurred on the Board of Directors.

Reverend William Marmion has moved out of the region and thus cannot retain his membership on the Board. I understand Miss Cassandra Maxwell (now Mrs. James H. Birnie) has also moved out of the South, but this has not been confirmed. She is planning to attend the meetings this year. It might be wise to have a suggestion in the event that this is another vacancy.

Mrs. Cohn, executive-secretary, of the New Orleans Committee on Race Relations, has been suggested for a four-year term. She has done a capable job of heading the Committee, and would make a good Board member. There is a move on to form a Louisiana Division, S.R.C., and it is possible that Mrs. Cohn would head it.

Miss Caroline Gellespie (on your Nominating Committee) would make an excellent addition to the Board.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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Encls: Copy of letter to other Committee members
What Kind of South Do You Want?
Memorandum on vacancies in Board
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October 9, 1950

Mrs. Hortense Young
818 South 6th Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Young:

Last June a meeting of the Executive Committee named the following Nominating Committee to bring in names for replacements on the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council:

Mrs. Hortense Young, Chairman
Miss Caroline Gillespie, RFD #3, Hartsville, S. C.
Rev. Emerson Smith, 109 West Grace St., Room 202, Richmond, Va.
Dr. E. B. Perry, Room 223-224, Pilgrim Bldg., Houston 3, Texas
Mrs. C. B. Smith, The Methodist Parsonage, Donelson, Tennessee

I did nothing about notifying the members of the Committee of their upcoming duties because the Executive Committee had currently before it a plan for combining the functions of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee into a single committee of say seventeen persons, and, pending decision on that, it seemed useless to ask for fresh nominations to the present Board. As it has happened, the Executive Committee has been unable to meet this autumn (for problems of dates and a quorum) so there is no opportunity to consider authoritatively the new plan of organization. I suppose it will be reviewed to the membership meeting November 8 here in Atlanta and may or may not be acted upon.

On the strong possibility that the Council will wish to continue at least for another year its present structure, we shall be in need of nominations at the time of the membership meeting.

I attach a paper giving the vacancies and terms of the vacancies on the Board. The enclosed brown leaflet gives the present Board in full.

Here is a list of the persons who have thus far during the year been named to the staff by one or another Board member as persons suitable for membership on the Board:

Judge Blanton Fortson, Georgia
Dean William Hepburn, Emory University, Georgia
Mr. Harry Straus, President, Ecusta Paper Company, Pisgah Forest, North Carolina
Mr. R. Beverly Herbert, lawyer, South Carolina
Mr. E. C. Wall, South Carolina
Mrs. E. U. Robinson, head of Methodist women of Southeastern Jurisdiction, Tennessee
Mr. Paul Mellon, Virginia
Mr. Webster Rhoads, President, Miller & Rhoads Dept. Store, Richmond, Virginia

Those elected by the annual meeting in 1949 but not accepting were:

Mr. E. L. Abercrombie, Atlanta, Georgia
Dr. D. Swan Haworth, First Baptist Church, Vicksburg, Mississippi

I have written as enclosed to the other members of the Nominating Committee and asked them to send directly and promptly to you names of persons they think suitable.

There is obviously no time for a meeting or much interchange between members of the Nominating Committee. I do hope you will plan to attend the meeting November 8 at 10:00 A.M. and, if you care to, the Board meeting the previous day, November 7, at 10:45 A.M. The meetings will be held at the new branch of the Phyllis Wheatley YWCA, 599 Tattnal Street, S. W. The Council will gladly pay your expenses for the trip down and back. You ought to be able to find one, two, or three other members of your Committee when you get here and contrive then a general report.

My apologies for asking all this of you at so late a date, but as the final Executive Committee meeting had to be called off, I did not know what else to do.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Encls.

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

VIA AIR MAIL

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Mr. Georga S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I am forwarding you the names of individuals submitted to me by members of the Nominating Committee of the Southern Regional Council for membership on the Board of Directors of the Council. In this list are also names which have been submitted through your office to this Committee.

According to your letter of October 27th there are possibly at least 13 vacancies to be filled. I am including the information sent with the names; the biographical sketches are not given in many instances, altho I requested in my letter to the Nominating Committee members.

Dr. D.Swan Haworth, First Baptist Church,Vicksburg, Miss.
Mr. T.D.Davis, 110 Pinehaven Drive,Jackson Miss.
Miss Bethany Swearengin,Reference Librarian,Jackson Public Library, 1501 North State Street,Jackson,Miss.
Mrs. Lillian Rogers Johnson, Jeanes Supervisor,Clarksdale, Mississippi.
Don C. Shoemaker, editor Ashville Citizen Times, Asheville,N.C.
P.M. Barger, business man interested in social welfare, Statesville, N.C.
Dr. R.D.Wellons, former missionary to India;now president of State School for Indians, Pembroke, N.C.

Dr. H.Lang, medical director,Atlanta Life Insurance Company, Atlanta,Georgia.

The members also submit the names of those whose terms being up in 1949 are also eligible for reelection to the Board.

Glenn Rainey
Alonzo Moron
Donald Comer

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I am listing the names of others whose biographical sketches are already in your office for consideration for election to the Board of Directors. I am mindful of the fact that there may be nominations from the floor of your meeting on the nineth.

Morris Abram, Atlanta, Georgia
Rev. Vincent O'Connell, S.M. New Orleans, La.
E.L. Abercrombie, Atlanta, Georgia
Charles Smith, Arlington, Virginia
Paul Christopher, Knoxville, Tennessee
~~[illegible]~~
James L. Coker, Hartsville, S.C.
A.T. Butler, Columbia, S.C.
Rabbi Charles Mantinband
~~Miss Cassandra Maxwell, Orangeburg, S.C.~~
~~[illegible]~~

You will note that I have included seventeen names, leaving out ~~some~~ whose residences have been Atlanta since we have that city so well represented.

I will be unable to attend your meeting but wish for you and the organization a very successful one.

Very sincerely yours,

Hortense Young

Mrs. C. Milton Young
Chairman
Committee on Nominations

Alonzo Moron

October 28, '49

Dear Mrs. Young,

Don't know how I slipped, but Mrs. Grace Hamilton of course is a Board member.

I'm sending copies of this correction to the others on the Nominating Committee.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

October 27, 1949

Mrs. Hortense Young
418 South Fifth Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Young:

I have threaded my way through the maze about Board members, and offer you and the other members of the Nominating Committee for Members of the Board my findings.

The Board is limited by the by-laws to 72 elected members. In addition it is to contain, under the by-laws, the officers of the Council and the Heads of State Divisions and of affiliated or closely related State Interracial Committees, as ex-officio members.

Board members are originally elected for four-year terms, which are subject to a single extension.

Those members whose first four years are up in 1949, and who are therefore to be considered now for renewal or replacement are the following:

C. Hawkins Brown
Hodding Carter
Rufus Clement
~~R. P. Daniel~~
John A. Griffin
Leonard Haas
~~Jacob E. Henderson~~
~~Hayneard Jackson~~
Armand May
E. A. McDowell

L. D. Milton
~~Alfred Mynders~~
C. H. Parrish
F. D. Patterson
Edwin A. Penick
John G. Pollard, Jr.
G. D. Rogers
~~J. W. Seabrook~~
Alice Spearman
~~J. M. Tydings~~

F. R. Washington
Marion A. Wright
Mrs. Warren Zeuch
~~Aubrey Williams (resigned)~~

~~Elected into this class last year:~~
Bishop R. R. Wright
P. B. Young, Sr.

resigned

Those members of the Board who have ex-officio status are in two groups:

(1) Officers of SRC:

Paul Williams, President
J. H. Wheeler, Vice President
Guy B. Johnson, Vice President
Carter Wesley, Vice President
Harold Trigg, Vice President
G. S. Mitchell, Executive Director

(2) Heads of Divisions or State Committees:

A. D. Beittel, Alabama Division
J. M. Dabbs, S. C. Division
* Alfred Mynders, Tenn. Division
* J. M. Tydings, Kentucky Division
Leon Russell, N. C. Division
* R. P. Daniel, Florida Division
H. B. Schaeffer, Miss. Division
R. L. Russell, Georgia I.R.C.
Mrs. J. S. Crate, Texas I. R. C.
J. M. Ellison, Dept. of Race Rel. of the Va. Council of Churches

* Of these latter, those marked with stars also enjoy regular (elected) membership on the Board of Directors of SRC. None of the officers have this dual membership.

Thus it would be possible to open three vacancies on the Board of SRC by not this year reelecting R. P. Daniel, Alfred Mynders, and J. M. Tydings (all of whom are in the class expiring in 1949), on the assumption that they will remain heads of their Divisions, and so ex-officio members of the Board.

Here is a summary of existing vacancies:

Class of 1948 (now the class of 1952). Four straight vacancies because of persons elected to this class who did not accept. 4

Class of 1949. Daniel, Mynders, Tyding, as above 3

Three persons who have been for some time residents outside the region, but continue as Board members. A change in the by-laws will be proposed which may relieve them of membership:
Ira de A. Reid, class of 1950
Clark Foreman, class of 1951
Louis Burnham, class of 1950 3

Plus any vacancies which may be created by non-reelection of members of class of 1949. As persons who might be thus spared, I list C. H. Parrish (who some time ago suggested that he be relieved), and either Jacob Henderson or Maynard Jackson (Both Atlantans, and Atlanta is well represented) 2

Aubrey Williams, resigned by letter recently 1

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This gives a grand total of 13 vacancies, plus any more opened by non-reelection from class of 1949.

As to persons suitable to fill vacancies, You have the names sent you August 16. I can suggest additional names, which have been discussed with Paul Williams or with Mr. Thomas F. Byrd, who is now engaged in a campaign to raise a goodly sum for the Council. They follow:

Morris Abram, Atlanta, Georgia. Brilliantyoung lawyer, active in several good causes. Former Rhodes Scholar. Special knowledge of law in field of civil rights. Grad. Univ. of Ga. Age about 30. Lt. Col. in World War II.

Rev. Vincent O'Connell, S.M., Chairman of the Catholic Committee of the South. Lives at New Orleans. A learned and energetic and sympathetic Priest.

E. L. Abercrombie, Atlanta, Ga. International Representative of the Launder Workers' International Union, A. F. of L. A much liked and trusted A. F. of L. official. His union has many Negro members.

Charles Smith, Arlington, Virginia. A Louisianan, with Virginia connections, long interested in the Council, helped it on a volunteer basis for some months in 1948-49, now employed as organization relations officer of the Department of State's United States National Commission for UNESCO. For several years an official of the Government in the field of housing.

Paul Christopher, Knoxville, Tenn. Tennessee Regional Director of the C. I. O. Born in South Carolina, active there and in North Carolina and in Tennessee. Able, upright, courageous.

Price McLemore, Alabama, vicinity of Montgomery. Large planter, successful experimenter with mechanical cotton production, active with Committee of the South, and believed not unsympathetic. Has not been approached.

James L. Coker, President of Sonoco Products Company, Hartsville, S.C. Signed the $250 letter that was sent out in S.C. this spring, and gave that amount to SRC. Friend of Dabbs, who runs S. C. Division.

An influential Baptist business man, Atlanta area, to be nominated to the Committee by Mr. Byrd.

Ditto, Methodist. (We are still consulting on this and the one above.)

Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton, Atlanta. Executive Secretary, the Atlanta Urban League. A devoted Council member, helpful at every turn, and effective in her job.

Needless to say, I advance these merely as suggestion for the Committee to handle as it may see fit. Add quite others as you will.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

gsm/t

cc: Dr. E. B. Perry
223 Pilgrim Building
Houston, Texas

Mrs. C. B. Smith
The Methodist Parsonage
Donelson, Tennessee

Mrs. Ruby S. Lyells
116 Montgomery Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Mr. Cyrus Johnson
Bunn, North Carolina

August 16, 1949

Mrs. Hortense Young
The Louisville Defender
418 South Fifth Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Young:

The attached list of officers of the Council and of members of the board of directors, arranged by term of office, is being sent to you, and similarly to your committee on nominations for board membership.

Terms of the class of 1949 expire at the time of the next annual meeting which falls on November 9th this year. You will note from the list that there are three vacancies in this class. All others are eligible under the by-laws for re-election to a second term of four years, with individual nomination for such re-election a matter for decision by your committee. I am appending a record of individual attendance at board meetings which may be of help in your deliberations.

Additionally, there yet remain two vacancies in the old class of 1948, now the class of 1952. These are due to non-acceptance of nominees last year, and make a total of five immediate vacancies to be filled.

Suggested names of possible nominees which have been received by us here, and which I now pass on to you for your consideration are as follows:

Mr. A. T. Butler, Executive Secretary of the Palmetto State
Teachers Association
1515 Harden Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Mrs. Hortense Young August 16, 1949

Rabbi Charles Mantinband, head of the Tri-Cities Jewish Congregation.
(Suggested as an excellent choice to replace Rabbi Stanley Braw who resigned from the board when he moved from the region.)

Miss Cassandra Maxwell, Professor of Law, State College
Orangeburg, South Carolina

Mrs. E. V. Robinson, President of the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Women's Society for Christian Service, Methodist Church

Reverend Mr. Mathew Warren, Rector
All-Saints Episcopal Church
Atlanta, Georgia

Please do not hesitate to write me if you need any information not covered by my letter, or by the attached material, or if I can help in any way at all.

Cordially yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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cc: Dr. E. B. Perry
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Donnelson, Tennessee

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116 Montgomery Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Mr. Cyrus Johnson
336 Salisbury Street
Raleigh, North Carolina

March 28, 1949

Mrs. Hortense Young
% The Louisville Defender
418 S. 5th Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Young:

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee, a standing Nominating Committee of the membership for bringing in nominations for vacancies on the Board of Directors, was named by the Committee.

You were named as Chairman of this Committee with other members chosen as follows: Mrs. Ruby S. Lyells, 1116 Montgomery St., Jackson, Mississippi, Mr. Cyrus S. Johnson, 336 Salisbury St., Raleigh, N. C., Mrs. C. B. Smith, The Methodist Parsonage, Donelson, Tennessee, and Dr. E. B. Perry, Rms.223-224, Pilgrim Building, Houston 3, Texas.

I do hope you will find it possible to serve. This is an important Committee and your choice by the Executive Committee is an expression of their great esteem and confidence. Won't you let me hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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November 4, 1948

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Mrs. Hortense Young
C/O Louisville Defender
418 South Fifth Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Young:

In accord with the appointment made at the last meeting of the Southern Regional Council, November 12, 1947, and confirmed in a letter from Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary-Treasurer of the Council, dated December 8, 1947, appointing the Standing Committee on Nominations for members of the Board of Directors, I am writing at this time to solicit your help and suggestions in the final preparation of a report which we can have available for presentation at the Annual Meeting in Atlanta, November 10.

You will find enclosed a tentative report making recommendations which are being presented to you for your thinking with the specific request that you delete any names listed here and feel free to make any recommendations or changes and return a copy of the same to me immediately in order that I might make an attempt to compile the recommendations of all the members of our committee for your final approval prior to the formal meeting of our organization in Atlanta. Please feel free to write on the margin of the extra statement which is being sent and which you can return to me direct with your comments. You will find enclosed a stamped self-addressed envelope for your convenience.

I shall ask Dr. Mitchell to make arrangements for a brief meeting of our group at an appropriate time on November 10, during the Annual Meeting, and you may expect a further invitation from him and/or me concerning this upon your arrival in Atlanta.

Thanking you for any criticisms or comments that you may give in connection with these matters, I remain

Sincerely yours,

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Wm. H. Gray, Jr.

cc: Dr. George C Mitchell
Mrs. Agnes McKoy

December 8, 1947

Mrs. Hortense Young
c/o Louisville Defender
418 South 5th St.
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Young:

It gives me much pleasure to advise you of your election, at the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council on November 12, to the Standing Nominating Committee of 1948 for the nomination of members of the Board of Directors at the next annual meeting.

Dr. William H. Gray, President of the Florida A. & M. College at Tallahassee is the Chairman of the Committee. Other members are as follows:

J. E. Blanton, RFD 1, Box 99, Cardona, Orangeburg, S. C.
Mrs. Josephine Heyman, 3860 Vermont Road, N. E., Atlanta, Ga.
Dr. Witherspoon Dodge, Hampton Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia

We are very happy to welcome you as a member of this important committee and trust most sincerely that it will be possible for you to serve. For your information we are attaching a list of the Board of Directors, including those whose terms expire with the next meeting. Please do not hesitate to write us whenever we can be of service.

With every good wish for the coming year, I am

Cordially yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

Enclosure

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SRC - Executive Committee Membership

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of Special Committee
Appointed to Select the Executive Committee

Atlanta, Georgia - February 17, 1944

The Special Committee appointed to select an Executive Committee met in the Conference Room of the Administration Building of Atlanta University at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, February 17, 1944. The following were present: Charles S. Johnson, Chairman, Gerald P. O'Hara, Rufus E. Clement, Gordon B. Hancock, P. B. Young, Guy B. Johnson, Ira DeA. Reid, Carter Wesley, and Emily H. Clay, Secretary.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

On motion duly seconded and unanimously carried-

IT WAS VOTED that the following be elected to membership on the Executive Committee*:

Francis R. Bridges, Jr.
Rufus E. Clement
Gordon B. Hancock
Leonard Haas
Charles S. Johnson
T. James McNamara
Miss Josephine Wilkins

The Committee gave instructions that the members of the Board of Directors be notified of the election of the Executive Committee.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Emily H. Clay
Secretary

* The President and Vice presidents are ex officio members of the Executive Committee.

SRC - Executive Committee
Membership

MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Ex-Officio

President — To be elected by the Executive Committee.
1st Vice-Pres.: Mr. P. B. Young, Editor of Norfolk Journal & Guide, Norfolk.
2nd Vice-Pres.: President Homer P. Rainey, University of Texas, Austin.
3rd Vice-Pres.: Mr. Carter Wesley, Editor of Houston Informer, Houston.

Elected Members

Mr. Francis R. Bridges, Jr., Florida Parole Commission, Tallahassee.
President Rufus E. Clement, Atlanta University, Atlanta.
Mr. Leonard Haas, Attorney, Counsel for the Southern Regional Council, Atlanta.
Dr. Gordon B. Hancock, Professor of Sociology, Virginia Union University, Richmond.
Dr. Charles S. Johnson, Department of Social Science, Fisk University, Nashville.
Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. James McNamara, Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist, Savannah.
Miss Josephine Wilkins, Citizens' Fact-Finding Movement, Atlanta.

AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF MARCH 22, 1944

1. Election of chairman of the Committee.
2. Election of secretary of the Committee.
3. Election of president of the Council in place of Bishop Arthur J. Moore, who could not accept the presidency.
4. Membership: conditions, question of limiting membership, amount of dues, etc.
5. Affiliation by organizations: conditions, rights, privileges, dues, etc.
6. Consideration of additional nominations to charter membership.
7. Finance: budget for 1944 and financial planning for the future of the S.R.C.
8. New personnel for the staff.
9. Policy of the S.R.C. toward the state interracial councils.
10. Question of formulating a general statement of policy for the S.R.C.
11. Southern Frontier: continue present size, format, price?
12. Clip Sheet: continue it? change its nature?
13. Pamphlets: priority list of new pamphlets to be issued during 1944.
14. Discussion of appointment of a National Advisory Committee.
15. Discussion of procedure for selecting honorary Fellows of the S.R.C.
16. Drawing of lots to stagger the terms of Directors elected at charter meeting.
17. Public relations: should we contract with commercial firm to handle a part of this?
18. Quarters for the S.R.C.: possibility of moving to larger quarters.
19. Our name: people are asking "Council for what?" Can we adopt a suitable sub-title to use on our stationery?
20. Discussion of best time of week for future meetings of Executive Committee.

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TO MEMBERS OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD FOR BRINGING IN NOMINATIONS FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Here are the members of the Executive Committee, as currently constituted, with individual record of attendance at meetings:

	1949			
	March 16	June 8	August 31	Nov. 9
Dr. Charles Johnson, Chairman	-	Present		
Dr. Rufus E. Clement	Present	-		
Mr. C. H. Gillman	-	-		
Mr. Leonard Haas	Present	Present		
Mr. Gordon B. Hancock	Present	-		
Rt. Rev. T. James McNamara	Present	-		
Miss Josephine Wilkins	Present	Present		
Ex-Officio:				
Mr. Paul D. Williams	Present	Present		
Mr. John H. Wheeler	-	Present		
Mr. Carter Wesley	-	Present		
Dr. Guy B. Johnson	Present	Present		
Dr. Harold Trigg	-	-		
Dr. George S. Mitchell	Present	Present		

Members of the Executive Committee serve at the pleasure of the Board. The governing clauses from the by-laws are:

"Section 1. Executive Committee. The Board of Directors shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than seven (7) members in addition to the President and the Vice-Presidents; the Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director shall also be ex-officio members of the Committee, but without the right to vote. The Executive Committee shall serve during the pleasure of the Board of Directors and may be discharged and the Committee abolished at any time by the Board of Directors. Unless one of the members shall have been designated as Chairman by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee shall elect a chairman from its own number. During the intervals between the meetings of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee shall possess and may exercise all the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the corporation, conferred by these by-laws or otherwise, in all cases in which specific directions shall not have been given by the Board of Directors. The Executive Committee shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions. All action by the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Board of Directors at its meeting next succeeding such action, and shall be subject to revision and alterations by the Board of Directors; provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. Vacancies in the Executive Committee shall be filled by the Board of Directors."

Background covering the creation of the standing committee of the Board for bringing in nominations for the Executive Committee.

From the minutes of the Board of Directors, November 11, 1947:

"Miss Wilkins proposed that the business of confirming or electing members of the Executive Committee, and any or all members on the Committee, according to the by-laws, be taken up in the Board meeting following the Annual Meeting. This was agreed upon by the members."

From the meeting of the Board of Directors, November 12, 1947, 4:15 P.M.:

"The chairman also reminded the Board that it would be desirable to elect a standing Nominating Committee of the Board to serve for a period of one year and to bring in Nominations for the Executive Committee of the Board. These nominations would be limited to members of the Board. The following nominations were received:

Dr. Forrester B. Washington
Mr. John Griffin
Mrs. Eugene Spearman

"On motion made and duly seconded,

7. "IT WAS VOTED that this group be accepted as the Nominations Committee to bring in to the Board nominations for members of the Executive Committee, and that Mr. Washington be named as chairman of the Committee."

"On motion made by Miss Wilkins and duly seconded,

8. "IT WAS VOTED that the committee of three bring in the nominations for the officers of the Council. 1/"

"1/ The Council's officers - President and Vice Presidents, are elected annually by the Board."

From minutes of the Board meeting of November 11th, 1948:

"Dr Washington then recommended for the nominating committee that, during the coming year, the administrative officers give careful attention to the potential members of the Executive Committee and the potential roster of officers of the Council, having in mind also availability and willingness to accept office. He said that the nominating committee felt that it would be to the interest of the Council if through the year, the administrative officers would keep the nominating committee alerted. Finally, he reported the feeling of the nominating committee that the appropriate section of the by-laws be changed to show phraseology that would establish terms of office for the Executive Committee. They should be elected, the nominating committee thought, on some rotating plan, so that some members could be changed each year. These suggestions were made in order to make it possible for persons with new points of view to be added without embarrasing the nominating committee. As matters are at present, it was said, there is no way of bringing in new persons except as replacement for resignation."

"Miss Syts made the point that unless the rotation was automatic, the original difficulty would still be present. Miss Wilkins recalled that as the Executive Committee is a creature of the Board, the terms of office of the Executive Committee were necessarily limited by their terms as members of the Board. She further pointed out that as the Executive Committee meets seldom, it needed people on it who were well informed.

On motion of Mr. Rogers, it was ordered that the suggestion of the nominating committee be referred to the Executive Committee, with power to act. "

From minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of March 16, 1949:

3. "IT WAS VOTED that in order to assist a closer relationship by this nominating committee with the personnel and work of the Executive Committee, the following steps should be taken:

   1. Minutes of each meeting of the Executive Committee should be supplied to members of the nominating committee.

   2. A review of the attendance record of members of the Executive Committee should be supplied to members of the nominating committee, and the Executive Committee should now formally recommend to the nominating committee that members of the Executive Committee who are absent from all meetings of the Executive Committee in the interval between annual meetings shall be dropped.

   3. Biographical information about members of the Executive Committee should be so supplied. "

SPC-Executive Committee
- Membership

August 10, 1949

Dr. Forrester B. Washington, Director
Atlanta University School of Social Work
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Washington:

I am sending to you, and similarly to other members of your committee, the attached material which I hope will be of help to you in your deliberations and functioning as the standing committee of the Board for bringing in nominations for the Executive Committee.

Your committee was also requested last year to bring in nominations for officers of the Council (President, and Vice-Presidents). The omission of such a charge for this year would seem, from a review of pertinent portions of the minutes, to be an inadvertent one, and it is our opinion here that it would be well within the province of your committee to do so again. I have included in the attached material all relevant sections of the minutes dealing with your committee, both for 1948 and 1949.

You will note that there is also a list of members of the Executive Committee, and their attendance record through June 8th. The next meeting is set for August 31st, and the final one for the year for November 9th, just preceding the annual meeting. Since attendance is, at this point, a determining factor in opening up vacancies on the committee (except for resignations, or termination as a Board member) it is regrettable that final information on attendance comes so late. You will, of course, receive copies of the minutes for the August 31st meeting which will give attendance for that meeting, and I will undertake to provide your committee with the record for the November 9th meeting in good time for its use at the final Board meeting the following day.

In view of the afore mentioned difficulty under which your committee will operate, it would be my suggestion that a slate of several persons be agreed upon by your committee as possible nominations, and these in the order of your preference.

Since members of the Executive Committee must be drawn from the membership of the Board, I am also including in the material sent you a list of Board members arranged according to their term of office. This term of office is in itself a limiting factor in Executive Committee membership, since no Board member is eligible for more than two successive terms.

Biographical material on each of the regular members of the Executive Committee, with the single exception of Monsignor McNamara, is also attached. The latter has been written and the material requested; we will send it to you when it comes. I should appreciate the return of this material when it is no longer needed.

On the day of the annual meeting (November 9th) a special table will be provided for you and your committee at luncheon, and will be so designated. Please do not hesitate to write me if you need information not covered in my letter, or in the material sent you, or if I can help in any way at all.

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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CC to:
Mr. Griffin
Dr. Jackson
Mrs. Spearman
Miss Sytz

SRC - Executive Committee
August 18, 1949
Membership

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Executive Committee

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Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

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Atlanta 3, Georgia

Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
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Richmond, Virginia

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Dr. Harold L. Trigg
St. Augustine's College
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Box 652
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Some of these are ex-officio - don't know which ones

SRC - Exec. Cttee - Membership

October 28, 1949

Dr. Forrester B. Washington, Director
Atlanta University School of Social Work
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Forrester:

You very kindly agreed to serve as chairman of the nominating committee to propose to the Board of SRC suitable persons to be elected by the Board to its Executive Committee.

You have the present membership of the Executive Committee.

Paul Williams and I had opportunity to discuss some weeks ago those who might be suitable to be considered. We thought of the following:

Florence Sytz, whom you know well. On Board till 1952.

Marion Wright, Linville Falls, N. C. Class of '49, subject to reelection till '53. Age 55 or so, lawyer in Conway, S. C. for a good many years. Now retired, and living in the N. C. mountains. Some slight health handicap, but quite able to be active. Graduate of U. of S. C., long a devoted worker to this cause, for some years the very effective head of the South Carolina Division. Author of the attached, which will show his quality.

Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton, whom you know, of course. She is a member of the Board, class of 1951.

The entire executive committee serves only at the pleasure of the Board, and your committee is entirely at liberty to recommend as much replacement as it may deem desirable. It has in any case one clear vacancy, created

through the proposed by-law changes which will make the position of General Counsel (held by Leonard Haas) carry ex-officio membership in the Executive Committee.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Perhaps Marion Wright should be written official letter of welcome to executive committee.

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SRC - Exec. Cttee - Membership

November 26, '49

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Linville Falls, N.C.

Dear Mr. Wright,

I am happy to send you this formal notice that the Board of Directors of the Council at its meeting on November 9, on the recommendation of the nominating committee, elected you to membership on the Executive Committee of the Council.

We have all valued your steady helpfulness and wisdom in the work of the Council, and greatly hope that you can write me that you will accept the place on the Executive Committee.

Sincerely,

Paul D. Williams
President

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Mr. Alfred Mynders, Chairman
Tennessee State Division, SRC

* Ex-Officio members of the Board of Directors, and of the Executive Committee of the Board.

1/ Vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. Harold L. Trigg. The Executive Director has recommended to the Executive Committee that this office remain vacant until a suitable person may be found to fill the position.

2/ Voted Ex-Officio members of the Board of Directors at annual meeting, November 12, 1947.

3/ Are elected members of the Board of Directors, also.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Class of 1949 3/

Stanley Brav (Resigned)
Mrs. C. Hawkins Brown
Hodding Carter
Rufus E. Clement *
R. P. Daniel - Now Ex-officio
Ernest Delpit (Dropped)
W. H. Marmion 2/
John A. Griffin
Leonard Haas *
Jacob R. Henderson - dropped
Maynard Jackson - dropped
Armand May
E. A. McDowell
L. D. Milton
Alfred Mynders - ex-officio
C. H. Parrish
F. D. Patterson
Edwin A. Penick
John G. Pollard, Jr.
G. D. Rogers
J. W. Seabrook - resigned
Mrs. Eugene Spearman
J. M. Tydings - ex-officio
Forrester B. Washington
Aubrey Williams (Resigned)
Marion A. Wright
Mrs. Warren Zeuch

Class of 1950

Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames 1/
Rufus B. Atwood 1/
Louis Burnham 1/ (Now resident outside South)
Felton Clark
Miss Emily Clay
William E. Cole 1/
Luther P. Jackson 1/
Louis I. Jaffe
D. V. Jemison
Gerald P. O'Hara 1/
David D. Jones 1/
Raymond Paty 1/
Edgar W. Ray
Ira De A. Reid (Now resident outside South)
Philip H. Shulhafer 1/
Goodrich C. White 1/
Josephine Wilkins * 1/

* Member Executive Committee of the Board
1/ Second term - not eligible for re-election to consecutive term
2/ Elected November, 1947 to fill unexpired term of P. H. Easom
3/ All eligible for re-election to a second four-year term

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*These are also members of the Board of Directors

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Mrs. M. E. Tilly, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E. Atlanta, Georgia

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March 21, 1950

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

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ATTENDANCE AT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Member	1944 March 22	1944 April 28	1944 Decem. 5	1945 Feb. 28	1945 May 25 (April 25)	1945 June 27	1945 August 22							
Charles S. Johnson Chairman		X			X									
Bridges	X		X	—	—	—								
Clement	X		X	X	X	X								
Gillman	—	—	—	—	—	—								
Haas	X	X	X			X								
Hancock		X				X								
Johnson, G.B.	X	X	X	X	X	X								
McNamara	X	X	X		X	X								
Odum		X	X		X									
Preston	—	—	—	X	—	—								
Rainey														
Reid	X	X	X	X	X									
Wesley			X											
Wilkins	X	X	X	X	X	X								
Young														

April meeting postponed for lack of quorum. Held on May 25
August " " " " " " .

CC: Norma Huff ✓

SRC- Executive Committee
Membership

August 1, 1950

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Johnson:

We wrote you June 30 trying to fix a date for a September meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council. We then said September 9 had been set by the Committee itself, with September 16 as a possible but less desirable alternate.

We hesitate to get out the notices until we hear from you which date gives you your best chance to get here.

I remember that in your recent letter you said your New York trip might make it impossible for you to come to Atlanta. But I still want to take every chance of having you present.

Can you let us know which date is less unlikely?

The Committee set up a rule a year and a half or so ago that anybody who missed all meetings in a full year would have to be replaced. I am deeply anxious not to try to find anybody to fill your place -- as member and as Chairman! I suppose there would be a final out on that, though, if you could be present at the meeting of the Committee just before the membership meeting, which comes this year, I believe, on November 8.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

FISK UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE 8, TENNESSEE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Southern Regional Council

August 15, 1950

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

September 9 is a more likely date for me than September 16, although I must say that both are exceedingly difficult. You realize that the 16th is the very critical period of school opening when it will be impossible to be away from the campus.

I would not want the rule of the Committee to be the occasion for my replacement on the Board, but if the rule ~~was that~~ is important, in the event of an impossible conflict, I would just have to go by default.

It seems to me that there was some importance to be attached to the effort to get some money for the Council. I asked in a recent letter, for a memorandum that I could use with the Whitney Foundation that would be meeting around the time of the Executive Committee of the Council. The effort, whether successful or not seems to me worthwhile, and I am still awaiting the memorandum.

Most organizations are anxious to set their post-vacation meetings as soon as possible after Labor Day, and this makes it very hard for one who is involved in a number of these organizations.

The early September date, in this case, has three New York meetings commanding my time - The United Negro College Fund, the Executive Committee of the Fisk Board, and the Whitney Board.

I wish it could be otherwise.

Sincerely,

Charles S. Johnson

CSJ:jc

October 9, 1950

Mrs. James S. Crate
2410 Inwood Drive
Houston, Texas

Dear Mrs. Crate:

Will you be very kindly considering who would strengthen the Executive Committee? I greatly hope you can be present for the meeting November 8 (and the Board meeting the 7th). You encourage us a lot.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er
Encl.

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

October 9, 1950

Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Virginia Union University
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Professor Hancock:

You will see what the matter is. Please turn it over in your mind and come prepared to help as usual.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er
Encls.

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

Exec Comm Membership

October 9, 1950

Mr. John A. Griffin
Emory University
Emory University, Georgia

Dear John:

Way last June you were named Chairman of a three-man committee of the members of the Board to bring into the annual meeting nominations for membership on the Executive Committee. Your two members are Gordon B. Hancock, Virginia Union University, Richmond, Virginia, and Mrs. James S. Crate, 2410 Inwood Drive, Houston, Texas. You (and they) have not been notified because the plan of reorganization was pending. The plan is still pending, and as the Executive Committee has not met, it has not been discussed. So I think we must in any case arm the Board with suitable nominations.

We are asking you to come into a meeting in mid-October about the reorganization plan. That will be a convenient time to consider the work of your Committee. For the present I only say that Paul Williams is strongly in favor of getting an Executive Committee which shows up and gets things done. The problem is how to create vacancies. We have an automatic rule that may make some vacancies. Anyway, I think you ought to be trying to pick from the present Board members (listed on the brown leaflet) the names of three or four good strong people. It would be possible to name to the Executive Committee, Board members who will be elected in November, but we don't know who they are, so can't do much about it.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er
Encl.

CC: Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Mrs. James S. Crate

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

November 10, 1950

Mr. Paul Christopher
22 Circle Hill Drive
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Paul:

Yesterday you got elected to the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council. It would mean your being called to about four meetings a year, all of which would probably be in Atlanta. We have only a few members of the Executive Committee who get to every meeting, but we would expect you to get to two or three anyway. We cover the expenses.

I do hope you can write me that you can accept.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence
Dictated 11/9/50

November 10, 1950

Miss Florence Sytz
1347 Moss Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Miss Sytz:

When finally the Board got around to picking the Coucil's officers and members of the Executive Committee, it found that a vacancy which the nominating committee had expected to turn up, did not do so. On that account, I do not need to call upon your kind willingness to become a member of the Executive Committee.

I know I could count on you. I know also we will need help from you straight through.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

November 10, 1950

Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton
Atlanta Urban League
239 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Grace:

This is formal notice that you got elected yesterday to the Executive Committee. Everybody wanted you.

Can you send me notice, formal or informal, that you will accept?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence
Dict. 11/9/50

December 13, 1960

Mr. Paul T. Christopher
216 Flatiron Building
Knoxville 17, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Christopher:

We are very gratified that you will be able to serve on our Executive Committee, and we look forward to your guidance.

It is understood that previous committments will probably prevent your attending the coming meeting on Saturday, but we continue to hope that a change in circumstances will enable you to be with us.

Our kindest regards.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:jwh

PAUL R. CHRISTOPHER
STATE DIRECTOR, TENNESSEE

PHONE 2-6780

Organizing Committee

216 FLATIRON BUILDING
KNOXVILLE 17, TENN.

GEORGE BALDANZI
NATIONAL DIRECTOR
JOHN V. RIFFE
ASST. NAT'L DIRECTOR

ORAL L. GARRISON
NAT'L SEC'Y-TREAS.

November 30, 1950

Mrs. Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Huff:

You may tell Dr. Mitchell that I shall be glad to serve on the Executive Committee of the Council. Our National Director, Mr. John V. Riffe, assented promptly when I asked him whether or not I could serve in this capacity, because he knows of the good work of the Council and is sympathetic.

However, I doubt very seriously that I can attend the meeting called for Saturday, December 16th. This date is tentatively marked on my calendar as one on which I am to make no commitments, as either December 15 and/or 16 is now set aside for a probable meeting of the State Directors of the CIO Organizing Committee.

If there should be some change in the date of my meeting I will advise you, and in that case you may expect me in Atlanta for the SRC Executive Committee meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Paul Christopher

Paul R. Christopher
Tennessee Director

PRC:llr

CC: John V. Riffe

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December 20, 1950

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Paul Christopher
216 Flatiron Building
Knoxville 16, Tennessee

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton
Atlanta Urban League
239 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Virginia Union University
Richmond, Virginia

Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. James McNamara
222 East Harris Street
Savannah, Georgia

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville 8, Tennessee

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Tip Top
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Ex-Officio Members

Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Box 652
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dr. Harold L. Trigg
St. Augustine's College
Raleigh, North Carolina

Mr. Carter Wesley
P. O. Box 3086
Houston 1, Texas

Mr. John H. Wheeler
Box 1932
Durham, North Carolina

Mr. Paul D. Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond 22, Virginia

SRC - Executive Committee
memberships

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Rufus Early Clement

Born: Salisbury, North Carolina, 1900.

Formal education: A.B. Livingstone College 1919; B.D. Garrett Bible Institute, 1922; A.M. Northwestern University 1922, PhD. 1930.

Occupational history: Instructor of history, Livingstone College, 1922-25; professor of history and dean, Livingstone College 1925-31; dean, Louisville Municipal College for Negroes (University of Louisville) 1931-37; president of Atlanta University 1937 - ; Awarded Kidder Prize Garrett Bible Institute); Northwestern University fellowship, 1928-29.

Member of: Trustee, Livingstone College, Morehouse College, Spelman College, Atlanta University School of Social Work; Southern Conference for Human Welfare (member of the executive committee); Georgia Committee on Interracial Cooperation (chairman); director of the Commission on Interracial Cooperation, 1937-44; member of the board of directors of National Public Housing Conference, 1940-44; Citizens Conference on International Economic Union (vice president); member of colored work department, Committee National Council, Y.M.C.A.; member of the advisory committee, U.S. Office of Education, Survey on Higher Education for Negroes; member of the advisory committee of Southern Youth Conference; advisory committee, Planned Parenthood; executive committe member, United Negro College Fund; Committee on Citizenship, Association of American Colleges; second vice chairman, American Council on Education 1945-46; president National Association of Deans and Registrars, 1932-34; American History, American Academy of Political Science, American Association of School Administrators, Association for the Study of Negro Life and History; National Urban League (advisory committee); Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools for Negroes (member of the executive committee, 1934-40, president 1938-39, chairman of the council on graduate study 1938-39); National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools (president, 1935-36, chairman of the general council, 1936-37); Kappa Alpha Psi, Sigma Pi Phi; editorial board of Phylon.

Publications: contributing editor, Journal of Negro Education; contributes to various publications on subjects of Negro education; editorial board of Phylon.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Charles Heflin Gillman

Born: Birmingham, Alabama, 1902.

Formal education: Georgia Evening School, 2 years,

Occupational history: M[redacted] Manpower Commission; War Labor Board; O.P.A.; Social Planning Com[redacted]cutive board); War Relief Commission; Community Fund; Civ[redacted]e; Southeastern Regional Council.

Member of: United Auto, Aircraft, Agricultural Implement Workers of America, CIO, past secretary of Local 34; UAW, president, Local 34 UAW(4 years) Methodist, Democrat, Mason.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Leonard Haas

Born: Atlanta, Georgia, 1880

Formal education: A.B. University of Georgia, 1899; LLB. Columbia University, 1902.

Occupational history: Admitted to the New York Bar, 1902; Practiced in New York City 1902-1904. Admitted to the Georgia bar 1904 and has since practiced in Atlanta, individually fifteen years and in various partnerships. Now with Haas, Lyons, Howell, & Hurt. Counsel for numerous insurance and transportation companies, etc.

Currently a member of: American Bar Association; Phi Beta Kappa; Legal counsel for the Southern Regional Council (also on executive committee of SRC)

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Gordon B. Hancock

Born: Greenwood, South Carolina, 1884.

Formal education: A.B. Benedict College, 1911; DD. Benedict College (honorary) 1925; A.B. Colgate University, 1919; B.D. Colgate University, 1920; A.M. Harvard University, 1922; Oxford University 1937, Cambridge University, 1938.

Occupational history: Pastor, Bethlehem Baptist Church, Newberry, S.C. 1911-1912; President Seneca Jr. College, 1912-1918; Professor of sociology and economics, Virginia Union University, 1921; organized the department of Economics and Sociology, 1922, chairman, 12 years; lecturer on Race Relations, Columbia University, Princeton, University, Randolph-Macon College, University of Richmond: Addressed Baptist World Alliance on "The Color Challenge", Atlanta, Ga. 1935; Director of the Torrance School on Race Relations;

Currently member of: Member, Southern Sociological Society, American Sociological Society, American Economic Association, Academy of Political and Social Science.

Publications: When Manna Faileth, Our Coming Captivity, The Commercial Advertisement and Social Pathology, Three Elements of African Culture, "Between the Lines"(syndicated column, associated Negro Press).

Travel: England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, France, Switzerland, Egypt, Palestine, Holland, Italy, Germany, Austria, Czechoslovakia.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Charles Spurgeon Johnson

Born: Bristol, Virginia, 1893.

Formal Education: A.B. Virginia Union University, Richmond, 1916; Ph.B. University of Chicago, 1917; Litt.D.(honorary), Virginia University 1928; L.H.D. Howard University, 1941.

Occupational history: Associate Executive, Chicago Commission on Race Relations; Director of research, National Urban League; editor of Opportunity, Journal of Negro Life; director of department of Social Science, professor of Sociology, Fisk University, Pioneer Infantry, 1918-1919;

Currently member of: American Sociological Association (vice president 1937); Southern Sociological Society (vice president 1939-40); Julius Rosenwald Fund (treasurer); American Missionary Society; Delta Coop Farms (treasurer); Public Industrial Commission (president of the Committee on Farm Tenancy, 1936-37).

Publications: The Negro in Chicago, Ebony and Topaz, Negro in American Civilization, Negro Housing, The Economic Status of Negroes, Shadow of the Plantation, Race Relations, The Collapse of Cotton Tenancy, A Preface to Racial Understanding, The Negro College Graduate, A Statistical Atlas of Southern Counties, Growing up in the Black Belt, To Stern this Tide, Education and the Cultural Process, Patterns of Negro Segration.

Travel: England, France, Germany, Ireland, Denmark, Africa.

Church: Baptist

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Josephine Wilkins
Atlanta, Georgia

Formal education: Lucy Cobb Institute, Athens, Ga.; Castle-on-the Hudson, Tarrytown, N. Y.; New York School of Fine and Applied Art, and Art Students League, New York City; special courses at Columbia University and University of Georgia; European seminar.

Occupational history: Assistant-secretary, Georgia State Council of Social Agencies, assigned to Georgia Children's Code Commission, 1925, 1926-27; Representative, Equitable Life Assurance Society, 1928-34; Member, Georgia Children's Code Commission, by appointment of Governor Hardman, 1929-34; State President, League of Women Voters of Georgia, 1934-40; Julius Rosenwald Fund fellow, 1937; Member, U. S. Community Improvement Appraisal, to evaluate results of Federal work relief program in Georgia, 1938; William C. Whitney Foundation fellow, 1939, 1940, 1942-45; Member, White House Conference on Children in a Democracy, 1939-40; Member, Georgia State Advisory Committee, National Youth Administration, 1942-43; Member, U. S. Industry Committee No. 61, on minimum wage for Meat, Poultry and Dairy Products Industry, 1943; Member, Executive Board, National Policy Committee, 1943-47; Research Assistant, Institute for the Study on Georgia Problems, University of Georgia, 1940-41; Research Associate, Division of General Extension, University System of Georgia, 1940-49; Administrator, Citizens' Fact-Finding Movement of Georgia, 1937 to date.

Currently member of: National Civil Service League (national council); Southern Regional Council (board and executive committee); League of Women Voters of Georgia (board and executive committee); Board of Trustees, Piedmont College; Pi Sigma Alpha (honorary membership through citation of Emory University students, 1942); Pilot International (honorary life member).

Publications: "Facts versus Folklore" in Proceedings of the National Conference of Social Work, 1939, and republished in Congressional Record of Nov. 3, 1939; "Georgians Take Stock," National Municipal Review, Vol. XXXII, No. 6, 1943; various bulletins and articles for League of Women Voters and Citizens' Fact-Finding Movement of Georgia. Directed preparation and publication of reports of Citizens' Fact-Finding Movement of Georgia, 1937-40, and of its source book, Georgia Facts in Figures, The University of Georgia Press, 1946.

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PAUL D. WILLIAMS

Born, Richmond, Virginia - August 1, 1905

Educated - Richmond Public and private schools; Benedictine Military Academy; Boston University A.B. 1929.

Married - Catherine Louise (Miller) of Richmond 1935; two children, John Joseph 7 years, Mary Catherine 4 years.

Occupation - Vice President, Mentzer, Bush & Co., educational publishers, Home Office - Chicago, Illinois.

Activities - Member Board of Directors, Richmond Chapter, American Red Cross.

Member Commission on American Citizenship

Member Inter-American Seminar

Member Southern Policy Committee

Member Richmond Round Table, National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Vice President, National Conference of Catholic Charities

Vice President, National Council of Catholic Men

Executive Board, Virginia Inter-Racial Commission

Member Board of Trustees, The National Catholic School of Social Service, Washington, D. C.

Co-Founder, Catholic Committee of the South; Executive Secretary 1939-1944

President, Southern Regional Council

Residence - 3320 Gloucester Road, Richmond, Virginia

MRS. M. E. TILLY

SERVICE IN THE CHURCH -

Local — has served as director of children's work; Supt. of Primary, Junior, and Intermediate departments; steward; teacher of Woman's Bible Class for years.
Now serving as teacher of Woman's Bible Class

Conference -

Board of Missions and Church Extension since 1936.
Delegate to General Conf - 1939 (M. C. S.); Uniting Conference and Conf. at Atlantic City; delegate to Jurisdiction Conference 1940- 1944- 1948

First Woman Trustee of Wesleyan College- Macon, Georgia

Under Woman's Missionary Society - many offices locally.
In Conference — Secretary of Atlanta District; Secretary of Children's Work; Secretary of Promotion and Cultivation; Member of Woman's Missionary Council;
Now serving as - Chairman of the Finance Committee of the WSCS, N. Ga. Conf. and Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, S. E. Jurisdiction.
Member of General Board of Temperance (since 1940)
Teacher under General Board of Education.

In the City of Atlanta and Fulton County -

Member of Fulton County Board of Price Control and President of Consumer Council all through the war years.
Now serving as member of Board of Directors of Goodwill Industries, Atlanta Urban League, Industrial Committee of the YWCA; Emory University - Brazil Project; Board of Atlanta Council of Church Women; Chairman of Fulton County Interracial Committee;

In The State -

Chairman of Georgia Committee on Cause and Cure of War interim between World Wars.
Represented Georgia on National Conference on Cause and Cure of War.
Secretary of Georgia Emergency Peace Commission.
Now serving -
Director of Rural Health Conference (since 1946); serving on special commission on Human Relations appointed by the Governor;
Chairman of International Relations Georgia Council of Church Women; Member of Executive Committee of Georgia Interracial Commission.
Board of Directors of Georgia Conference on Social Welfare.

South-wide

Served as chairman of area Conference on Cause and Cure of War; Secretary of Association of Southern Women for the Prevention of Lynching; Director of Mobilization Conference for 16 women's organizations (1945)
Director of Conference on Human Rights and World Order (1947)
Chairman of Conference on Civil Rights - Church and other organizations - 1948
Board of Directors of Commission on Interracial Cooperation.
Field Secretary of Southern Regional Council (1944 - now serving)

National

Served on National Commission on Race; President Truman's Civil Rights Committee; as Acting Director of Committee on Emergency Food Production in Washington 1944; American Palestine Committee; National Commission on Children and Youth of the Children's Bureau; National Housing Commission and Commission on Migrant Labor; Race Relations Committee of the Federal Council; Executive Committee of Americans for Democratic Action.

Was called to Detroit to be one of those to listen to the hearings of the Automobile Workers and General Motors; was sent by the Jewish Community of Atlanta to their national conference at Atlantic City 1946
Served as administrator of Funds for Relief of the Strikers in Chevrolet - Fisher Body plants during the strike period.

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Southern Regional Council

McNAMARA, Right Reverend Monsignor T. James McNamara, V.F.

Rector, Cathedral of St. John the Baptist (Catholic), Savannah, Georgia; Vicar Foraine (Dean) of Savannah Deanery; born Feb. 5, 1899, Savannah, Georgia. Son of Patrick James and Margaret Sullivan McNamara; ed.: Benedictine School, Savannah; St. Charles College, Catonsville, Maryland; St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester, New York. Ph. B. (1919);, A.B. (1937).

Ordained Priest June 14, 1924. Assistant Rector of the Cathedral, Savannah, 1924 - 1932; Administrator, Middle Georgia Missions, Milledgeville, 1932 - 1939; Rector of the Cathedral, Savannah, 1939 -. Diocesan Superintendent of Schools, Diocese of Savannah-Atlanta, 1937 - 1947.

Diocesan Moderator of the United Service Organizations, Inc., and its affiliate, the National Catholic Community Service.

Co-organizer and First Chairman of the Catholic Committee of the South.

Charter Member of Southern Regional Council, Inc. and Member of its Board of Directors and Executive Committee.

Served as First Vice-President of the Georgia Conference on Social Welfare.

Speaker on the National Catholic Hour - N.B.C. Network.

Created Domestic Prelate with the title of Right Reverend Monsignor by His Holiness, Pope Pius XI, on September 2, 1939.

ADDRESS: 222 East Harris Street, Savannah, Georgia.

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McNAMARA, Right Reverend Monsignor T. James McNamara, V.F. (Continued)

Member of the Board of Directors, The Georgia Social Hygiene Council.

President, Savannah Mental Hygiene Society.

Management and Labor, - Member of City of Savannah Panel during war years; Conciliator in Labor disputes.

Speaker on Church of the Air, - C.B.S. Network.

Former Member of the Board of the Children's Council of Chatham County.

Magazine articles on Education; Labor Relations; Race Relations, etc.

Speaker before National, State, Regional and Local bodies on these and kindred subjects.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

BALANCE SHEET

April 18, 1950

First National Bank of Atlanta	$ 228.84	
Citizens Trust Company	495.59	$ 724.43

LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT

LIABILITIES (Per Exhibit "A")	11,473.21		
Home Town Self-Survey	2,448.19		
Fellowship of the Concerned	495.59		
TOTAL LIABILITIES		14,416.99	
DEFICIT		13,692.56	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT			$724.43

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

STATEMENT OF LIABILITIES

April 18, 1950

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

Dr. George S. Mitchell - Loan	$1,500.00	
1/Dr. George S. Mitchell - Salary	1,090.00	
Stein Printing Company	1,050.00	
State Divisions	716.25	
Southeastern Envelope Company	125.33	
1/Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company	124.25	
2/Wesley Memorial Building - Rent	130.00	
2/Mrs. Gertrude McKenney	118.13	
Paul Williams - Travel	115.34	
Harold C. Fleming - Travel	75.98	
Withholding Taxes - April	63.90	
1/Burrelle Press Clipping Service	57.10	
Lyle E. Campbell	50.00	
Gershon Printing Company	42.25	
Rt. Rev. Msgr. McNamara - Travel	35.35	
Dr. Guy Johnson - Travel	46.13	
Mrs. M. E. Tilly - Travel	38.11	
1/Elliott Addressograph Company	33.18	
H. Birnbrey	30.00	
Pitney Bowes	22.50	
2/Tidwell Company	7.50	
2/Western Union	1.01	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		$5,473.21 — 4,618.93 April 22, 50
Nine-month Note - Thomas F. Byrd		6,000.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES		$11,473.21

10,618.93

1/ Partial payment since preparation of report.

2/ Paid since preparation of report.

EXHIBIT "A"

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Sources of Revenue

January 1, 1950 to April 18, 1950

Balance in Bank, January 1, 1950		$ 654.97
RECEIPTS:		
General:		
Dues	982.50	
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature	369.69	
New South Subscriptions	38.88	
Lecture Fees	202.76	1,593.83
Contributions:		
Foundations:		
Marshall Field Foundation	2,500.00	
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1,000.00	
Edgar Stern Family Fund	300.00	
Sigmund Silberman Foundation	250.00	4,050.00
Church Sources:		
Methodist:		
Division of Home Missions	500.00	
Kentucky Conference WSCS	25.00	
Mississippi Conference WSCS	25.00	
Catholic Sources	1,025.00	1,575.00
Other Sources:		
Membership Contributions	654.95	
Organizational Contributions	210.00	
Special Contributions	1,208.00	2,072.95
Special Efforts:		
North Carolina State Division	80.00	
Tennessee State Division	205.00	
Florida State Division	150.00	
Alabama State Division	100.00	
Georgia State [redacted]	100.00	
South Carolina State Division	250.00	
Abram-Haas Effort	1,267.00	2,152.00

Other Sources - Exchanges:

Refunds	444.98		
Loan - Citizen Trust	150.00		
Fellowship of the Concerned	500.00		
Withholding Taxes	525.50		
State Divisions	568.50	2,188.98	
TOTAL RECEIPTS			13,632.76
TOTAL RESOURCES			$14,287.73

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Report of the Executive Committee of the Council

to the Board of Directors

April 22, 1950

Your Executive Committee has had two meetings since the last meeting of the Board. These were on February 2 and March 31, 1950.

It will be recalled that the Board in its meeting of November 8, 1949, directed that the then "staff of the Council be given assurance through January 31, 1950, the Executive Committee to meet as early as practicable in January and determine on behalf of the Board what further steps should be taken."

At the meeting on February 2, the Committee discussed the fund-raising efforts under way, canvassed the practicability of further economies in the staff or other expenses of the Council, and undertook a fund-raising letter to be signed jointly by Paul Williams, Rufus Clement, and Gordon Hancock. Reports were made to the Committee indicating a current deficit of about $5,000 overhanging from 1949. Additional obligations were the loan from the Executive Director of $1500, a total accrual of salary for Mr. Byrd until April 1, 1950, amounting to $7,000, and a contingent liability to meet expenses for the second covenanted year for the Home Town Self-Survey project amounting to $2,600. This brought the total obligations of the Council to $16,100. Having in mind the contacts made with various foundation and church bodies, the Committee thought it reasonable to expect that additional income would be found in the early months of 1950 of around $20,000. With the regular income of the Council, this forecast an income for the remainder of 1950 of approximately $29,000, against which operating expenses for the remaining eleven months would be $33,000, to which would have to be added the total of $12,500 of obligations. (Continuance through 1950 would discharge the lia-

bility for the self-survey project.)

The Committee felt it its duty to consider most seriously any such prospective expenditure in excess of income. Although the Southern Regional Council is a corporation, enjoying limited liability, it was felt that the members of the Board were the ultimate repository of the moral obligation to stand good for the debts which the corporation might incur. Under these circumstances, your Committee authorized the continuance of the Council at its then reduced level of operation until March 31, 1950, notice to be sent to members of the Board that it might be necessary to call you into emergency session on April 22.

On the convening of the Executive Committee on March 31, the financial condition had worsened rather than bettered. Foundation requests from which goodly sums were hoped had been turned down, although small grants had been made here and there, notably from the Phelps-Stokes Fund ($1,000) and the Marshall Field Fund ($2,500). The letter which Mr. Clement and others had sent out had netted a total of about $900. Atlanta friends in the American Jewish Committee had pledged about $1,500. The obligation to Mr. Byrd was by his generosity foregone in part, so that the total sum owing to him became $6,000. Adjustments in staff and other economies reduced the probable operating outgo on the present basis to approximately $2,500 a month. Over $1,000 of the overhanging operating deficit from 1949 had been paid off.

Nevertheless, the Council still faced an operating deficit for the remaining nine months of the year totaling $12,000, with total obligations in addition of $11,500, making the possible total indebtedness in the absence of other funds amount on December 31 to $23,500.

The Committee thought it probable that remaining foundations and church organizations with which contact had been made, plus prospective large individual gifts, would net $5,000, thus reducing the prospective deficit to

$18,500.

The Committee concluded that the life of the Council hung upon the raising of approximately $18,000 in a relatively short space of time. It therefore caused the Board members to be notified of the need for such a sum and the possibility of raising it through contributions obtained at the instance of our Board members of $2,000 in each state. It was thought that three states should be exempted, as explained in the memorandum of April 3.

Accordingly, on April 3, you were asked to consider the possibility of raising such a sum and, if you agreed, to begin, and on April 22 to decide as to the plan.

The Committee in calling this extraordinary session of the Board, has had the intent of laying before you the question whether the Council should be continued or should be liquidated. If it is to be continued through 1950, the Committee sees no plan other than the one put before you April 3.

For the Executive Committee

Paul D. Williams

AGENDA

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Executive Committee

June 10, 1950. 10:00 AM

1. Invocation
2. Roll call
3. Minutes
4. Unfinished business
5. The Council's work -- GSM
6. New business
7. Appointment of standing committees
8. Board vacancies
9. By-laws revision
10. Place of annual meeting
11. Report of Secretary-Treasurer
12. Report of Finance Committee

    50 for '51
13. Old business
14. Date for next meeting
15. Adjournment

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

December 16, 1950 10:00 A.M.

A G E N D A

Invocation

Minutes

Finance Report

Special Committee

Libel

By-laws amendments

Other Business

Adjournment

PAUL D. WILLIAMS, RICHMOND
PRESIDENT
P. B. YOUNG, NORFOLK
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT
GUY B. JOHNSON, CHAPEL HILL
SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT
CARTER WESLEY, HOUSTON
THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT
HAROLD L. TRIGG, RALEIGH
FOURTH VICE-PRESIDENT
CHARLES S. JOHNSON, NASHVILLE
CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
GEORGE S. MITCHELL
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
MRS. AGNES MCKOY
SECRETARY-TREASURER
HAROLD C. FLEMING
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

SRC - Members Correspondence

Southern Regional Council, Inc.

ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

A Council to attain, through research and action, a region free of racial discrimination and with equal opportunity for all people in the South

December 4, 1947

Dear SRC Member:

Those of you who attended the annual meeting know that the Council is faced with a deficit of approximately $5,000 for the close of the year. This was nobly faced at the meeting when Dr. Will Alexander called upon the assembled membership to clear the deficit before the end of the year and promised that he, himself, would accept responsibility for raising $1,000 of it if other members would make pledges to obtain the rest.

In immediate response to Dr. Alexander's appeal the following pledges were made:

Mr. Leonard Haas, Atlanta	$200.00
Dr. Gordon B. Hancock, Richmond	100.00
Dr. Guy B. Johnson, Chapel Hill	100.00
Msgr. T. James McNamara, Savannah	100.00
Rt. Rev. V. J. O'Connell, New Orleans	50.00
Mr. G. D. Rogers, For Fla. Division	500.00
Mr. J. M. Tydings, Kentucky Division	100.00
Dr. Forrester B. Washington, Atlanta	100.00
Mr. Paul D. Williams, Richmond	200.00
Dr. R. L. Russell, Georgia Committee	200.00
Other Anticipated Income	250.00
	$1,900.00

In the critical days that lie ahead the need for the Council is felt to be greater than ever. Mr. Rogers, in making his pledge, stated his belief that the Council means more to the South than any other organization with which he had ever worked.

The Council belongs to you, its members. Will you not, each of you, undertake to secure such donations as lie within your power to meet this need? Money so given is deductible from personal income tax. No gift, however, is too small, whether of dimes or of dollars, and the aggregate will, I feel sure, enable us to begin 1948 with a clear slate and to face the work that lies ahead of us with confidence and effectiveness. May we not hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

Agnes McKoy

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

SRC Branches - Correspondence

October 12, 1948

Mrs. William C. White
1021 4th Street
Palmetto, Florida

Dear Mrs. White:

Thank you so much for your new address and for your note on meetings on civil rights at your Methodist Youth Assemblies. We are very happy to know about these and would greatly appreciate it if you could get us some information concerning these meetings on the attached forms.

We are all delighted here that you are going to work with the Florida Division this next year.

Cordially and sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

Attached forms

You will be interested to know that as a follow up of the Civil Rights discussion ~~prog~~ in my classes at our 4 Methodist Youth Assemblies there have been youth discussion and youth programs all over the state on it.

NEW SOUTH
issued by
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Date September 23, 1948

Dear Reader:

The last issue of the New South which was addressed to you as follows was returned unclaimed:

Mrs. William Charles White
876 13th Avenue, South
St. Petersburg, Florida

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OCT 8 1948
Southern Regional Council

Sincerely yours,
NEW SOUTH

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Southern Regional Council

My correct address is:

NAME Mrs. Wm. C. White

ADDRESS 1021-4th St.

Palmetto

Date 13 Fla.

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George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:wgd

August 3, 1949

Mr. Scott D. Hamilton, Jr.
3304 Hill Road
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

We greatly appreciate your membership in the Council.

We want to get a division of the Council going in Arkansas and are making an effort to do it this fall.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:wgd

SRC - Members Correspondence

For Mrs. McKay

For Dr. Ewbank

3304 Hill Road
Little Rock, Arkansas
July 24, 1949

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I was sorry to note in your letter of 20 May of the small number of Arkansas members of the Southern Regional Council. I was glad to receive the material you have sent me, and I agree with the work and objectives of SRC. I enclose three dollars (3) in cash for one year's membership, so I hope I may add one to the Arkansas group.

I will talk with Dr. Ewbank tomorrow about your activities, and I hope to be able to meet the other members shortly so as to find out more about the local committee. Since I am a student at Cornell University, I have only six remaining weeks before returning for the next school year. However, I hope that I too may be able to participate in some way.

Yours truly,

Scott Hamilton

Scott D. Hamilton, Jr.

School address:
The Watermargin
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

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SRC - Membership Correspondence

February 28th, 1950

Dear Virginia H. Holt
Chatham Hall
Chatham, Virginia

Dear Miss Holt:

How very kind it was for the Race Relations Department of your Service League to make a gift of $10.00 to the Council.

Interim financial difficulties make this gift especially meaningful at this time, and we are deeply grateful to you and to the Race Relations Department of your Service League.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

SRC Board

May 1, 1950

Mrs. Louis I. Jaffe
Algonquin Park
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Jaffe:

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council, of whose Board of Directors, you will recall, Mr. Jaffe was a member, has asked me to express to you on behalf of the whole Council the deep sense of loss felt in the death of Mr. Jaffe.

It is all too rare for people of his responsibilities in the South to be straightforwardly on the side of mutual and equal human dignity. Mr. Jaffe's associates in the Council mourn with you his loss as a man, and as a statesman of the South.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

SRC - Member Correspondence

May 5, 1950

Mr. Harry Mercer
1629 Berkley Circle
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Mercer:

Thank you for your recent check sent to us by Miss Josephine Hamilton. We are most grateful for your interest and support.

It is encouraging to have support from people in the South who will most benefit from our program.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:jwh

731½ Miss Ave
Chattanooga, Tennessee
May 1, 1950

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Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave, NE.
Atlanta, Ga

~~Dear Mr~~ Mitchell

I am enclosing $2.00 check for Mr. Harry Mercer, 1629 Berkley Circle. He gave me $2.00 tonight after I talked to a young peoples group on the Council & its work. Hope I can do some more of this kind of work. Hope the campaign for funds is coming along. We can't let the Council stop now.

My clippings are piled high! hope to get them to you some day.

Sincerely
Josephine Samuel

Check 1/24/50 - $11.00

SRC - Members
Correspondence

June 27, 1950

Dr. David D. Jones
Bennett College
Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Jones:

You are a much valued member and Board member of the Council. Our membership secretary has brought me a notation that your dues are unpaid since mid-1946. Technically, the whole sum to make you current through 1950 would be $11.00. That's pretty steep, and we will be happy to show you paid up for whatever check you may find it feasible to send in.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
executive director

GSM:er

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

KAUFMAN STRAUS COMPANY
INCORPORATED
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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SRC - Members
Correspondence

LOUISVILLE 2, KENTUCKY

July 8, 1950.

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Replying to your letter of July 6th, I am pleased to send you herewith my check for N1 $11.00 to bring me current in my Dues to the Southern Regional Council.

I am sorry that in the pressure of things this was permitted to lapse, for I believe very strongly in the work that you are doing.

With every good wish for your continued success, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Harry W. Schacter

Harry W. Schacter.

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Dr. George S. Mitchell,
Executive Director,
Southern Regional Council,
Room 432, 63 Auburn Ave., N. E.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

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Southern Regional Council

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Encl.

Sent $11.00 7/10/50

July 6, 1950

Mr. Harry W. Schacter
c/o Kaufman-Straus Company
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Schacter:

You very kindly became a member of the Southern Regional Council in 1946, and sent us a generous $5.00 then. Now my membership secretary brings me a notation that your dues are unpaid for 1947, 1948, 1949, and 1950. To make you current through 1950 would add up to the whole sum of $11.00.

I dare not bill you for so much, and we would be happy to mark you paid up for whatever check you may find it possible to send in.

We all know your extraordinary usefulness in Kentucky. I am sure also that has carried with it ten thousand good causes to beg you for dues. However, I would think the Council and its publications are helpful to you, and I am in hopes that you will find it possible to keep your membership alive.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

Community Chest of Mobile, Inc.

PHONE 3-2868 106 ST. JOSEPH ST.

P. O. BOX 1561

Mobile 9, Alabama

July 13, 1950

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Southern Regional Council

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432
63 Auburn Ave. N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Gentlemen:

You will find enclosed our check in the amount of $3.00 JP7 7/14/50 to pay 1950 dues.

Very truly yours,

C. A. L. Johnstone
Executive Secretary

CALJ/mm

WGD — Shld be entered in Johnstone's name — he shld. be written + asked if this is OK, since we do not offer memberships to organizations. This is one of the old members Mr. Mitchell wrote to for back dues. I have reinstated him as now current. WGD

COMMUNITY CHEST OF MOBILE, Inc.

SRC - Members Correspondence

P. O. BOX 1561

MOBILE 9, ALA.

National Dues (501-A) ---------- $3.00
for 1950

PLEASE DETACH CHECK FROM THIS STATEMENT

Sent $3.00 7/17/50

SRC - Members Correspondence

July 13, 1950

Mr. C. A. L. Johnstone
P. O. Box 1561
Mobile 13, Alabama

Dear Mr. Johnstone:

You have been a valued member of the Council since 1945 with a record of dues payment for that year and the next, plus extra gifts. Now our membership secretary brings me a notation that, if our records are correct, no dues have been received from you since 1946.

Technically it would cost the whole sum of $10.00 to make you current through 1950. That seems steep, and we will be happy to put you down as paid up for whatever check you may find it possible to send in.

There is more to do than ever, and less to do it with.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

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SRC - Members
Correspondence

July 14, 1950

Mr. Julian Boehm
1020 First National Bank Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Boehm:

Mr. Philip Shulhafer recently sent us your contribution to the Council along with those of Mr. Hirsch and Mr. Clein. We are indeed grateful for your efforts on behalf of the Council and for your support of our work.

Please accept our thanks.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:wgd

SRC - Members Correspondence

July 14, 1950

Mrs. Harry M. Gershon
1590 Harvard Road, N.E.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mrs. Gershon;

We are in receipt of your generous check sent in by Mr. Philip Shulhafer. Our many thanks.

We do appreciate your continued interest in the Council and support of our work.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:wgd

SRC - Members
Correspondence
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July 14, 1950

Mr. Philip Shulhafer
Montag Brothers, Inc.
180 Marietta St., N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Shulhafer:

Many thanks for those fine checks which you sent. We are acknowledging the donors and appreciate your many efforts on behalf of the Council. They have been most fruitful.

All send regards and thanks.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:wgd

SRC - Members Correspondence

July 14, 1950

Mr. Sam L. Sugarman
182 Marietta St., N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sugarman:

Mr. Philip Shulhafer recently sent us your generous contribution to the work of the Southern Regional Council. We are sincerely grateful for your help.

A complimentary subscription to New South for one year is being sent to you.

Our many thanks.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:wgd

SRC - Members Correspondence

July 14, 1950

Mr. Harry Clein
7 Edgewood Ave.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Clein:

Your recent contribution through Mr. Julian Boehm has been received. We are indeed grateful for your interest in the Council and for your support of our program.

A complimentary subscription for one year to our publication New South is being sent to you.

Our sincere thanks.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:wgd

SRC - Members Correspondence

July 14, 1950

Mr. Joseph H. Hirsch
William-Oliver Building
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hirsch:

Your recent contribution through Mr. Julian Boehm has been received. We are indeed grateful for your interest in the Council and for your support of our program.

A complimentary subscription for one year to our publication New South is being sent to you.

Our sincere thanks.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:wgd

7/25/50 Pd. $8.00

SRC - Member Correspondence

July 14, 1950

Mr. H. S. Southgate
2909 Cameron Mills Road
Alexandria, Virginia

Dear Mr. Southgate:

You have been a valued member of the Council since 1946 with a record of dues payment for that year and the next. Now our membership secretary brings me a notation that, if our records are correct, no dues have been received from you since 1947.

Technically it would cost the whole sum of $8.00 to make you current through 1950. That seems steep, and we will be happy to put you down as paid up for whatever check you may find it possible to send in.

There is more to do than ever, and less to do it with.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

SRC - Members correspondence

MANHATTANVILLE COLLEGE OF THE SACRED HEART
WEST 133RD STREET AT CONVENT AVENUE
NEW YORK 27, N. Y.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

July 17, 1950

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

JUL 24 1950
Southern Regional Council

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

JPT - 5/24/50 The enclosed check to the amount of $11.50 represents the enduring interest and enthusiasm of all at Manhattanville for the work of the Southern Regional Council. I only wish that a bigger balance would make possible a bigger gift. Thank you so much for the interesting copy of the New South and of the reprint from the Herald Tribune, both of which I was pleased to see.

You note that I include $1.50 over and above my contribution. Kindly apply this sum towards a subscription to the New South. Address the publication to:

WGD

The President
Manhattanville College of the Sacred Heart
Convent Avenue and West 133 Street
New York 27, New York.

WGD

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Rec. Mother Eleanor M

E. M. O'Byrne
President

Receipt 11/21/50

Sent 5.00 7/31/50

SRC - Member Correspondence

July 18, 1950

Mr. Hugh E. Robinson
State YMCA
512 Peters Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Robinson:

We count you as a valued member of the Council, but dismally we haven't had any dues from you since April 1947.

To make you current for '48, '49, and '50 would cost the whole sum of $9.00. We think that's a bit steep and would be happy to consider you paid up for whatever sum you may find it possible to send in.

Do stand by us. We haven't any longer the goodly sums we used to get from foundations and have to depend on sums our friends all over the South can put into the pot.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

Sent 20.00 7/24/50

SRC - Membership Correspondence

July 18, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Potts
Box 448
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

Dear the Pottses:

I hate to write to you and remind you about the Council's dues because Mr. Potts told me he was going to pay up. But here turns up a stack of names of delinquents, and the top two cards are for Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Potts. So that all is $3.00 for '48 and $4.00 for '49 and $4.00 for '50.

Eleven dollars is too much. So please send us a check for what you think is reasonable and we will be happy to make you both paid up, current, best standing, much appreciated members.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

Sent 5.00 7/24/50

SRC - Members Correspondence

July 19, 1950

Mr. R. B. Eleazer
213 Mockingbird Road
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Eleazer:

From the very beginning of the Council down through February, 1947, yours is a letter perfect record of payment of dues.

We are caught every now and then in some inaccuracy on our membership notati ns, and it may quite well be that you have sent in your dues for part of the time since then. But we show a blank for 1948 and 1949 and 1950. That would be $9.00 altogether.

If you will be kind enough to send us whatever sum would be suitable with you, we will be happy to mark you paid up through 1950.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

SRC - Members correspondence

MEMORANDUM

from
R. B. ELEAZER

213 Mockingbird Road,
Nashville,
July 21, 1950.

Dr. George Mitchell,
Director S.R.C.,
Atlanta,

My Dear Friend:

A reminder so gentle and tactful certainly deserves a favorable response. Failure to keep up my dues to the SRC has been due to the fact that retirement two years ago reduced my income to the point where some retrenchment was necessary, not at all, I assure you, to any lack of interest in the Council's work. As evidence on the latter point, I am enclosing check for Five Dollars, together with warm regards and best wishes.

JP7
7/24/50

Yours very truly,

R.B.E.

Robert B. Eleazer

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Receipt sent
7/27/50
HBA

Sent 25.00 7/31/50

SRC - Members Correspondence

July 19, 1950

Mr. N. C. Read
4303 Elm Street
Bethesda, Maryland

Dear Nick:

Any chance that for old times' sake you could pay up your dues to the honorable the Southern Regional Council? By the books they ought to come in for '48 and '49 and '50. That's $9.00. Too much.

How about squeezing out a smallish check and we'll in great cheer mark you paid in full for whatever you can send in.

We miss you and hope you will come to see the Mitchells when business or pleasure brings you this way.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

SRC - Members Correspondence

Trinity Methodist Church

Founded 1774

2911 CAMERON MILLS ROAD
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

HERBERT S. SOUTHGATE
MINISTER

July 22, 1950

Mr. George L. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave., N.E.
Atlanta 3, Ga

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Thank you for your letter reminding me of my obligation to your fine organization. I am enclosing herewith my check which will bring my membership up to date.

With all best wishes

Sincerely,

H. S. Southgate

$8.00
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SRC - Members correspondence

THE STATE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA
512 PETERS BUILDING — ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

July 28, 1950

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Mr. Glenn W. Rainey, Chairman
Finance Committee
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Rainey:

Replying to your letter of July 26, you will find enclosed, herewith, my check in amount of $5.00 NH for the Southern Regional Council.

Sincerely,

HE Robinson

Hugh E. Robinson
Executive Secretary

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SRC - Members Correspondence

EMORY UNIVERSITY
EMORY UNIVERSITY, GEORGIA

COMMUNITY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE

July 28, 1950

Mrs. Norma Huff
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mrs. Huff:

I enclose my check for $6.00. This represents the payment for twelve copies of the handbook for Home Town Self-Survey which were mailed to me recently. It also covers a $3.00 membership for Dr. Robert Scranton, 2080 N. Decatur Rd., Apartment 4, Atlanta.

Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

John A. Griffin

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Rd 3.00 8/14/50

SRC - Members correspondence

July 31, 1950

Rev. J. E. Robinson
School of Theology
Lane College
Jackson, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Robinson:

You have been a valued member of the Council since 1947. Now our Membership Secretary brings me a notation that, if our records are accurate, no dues have been received from you since that year.

Technically, it would cost the whole sum of $8.00 to make you current through 1950. That is steep, and we will be happy to mark youfully paid up for whatever smaller check it may be possible for you to send in.

There is more to do than ever before, and less to do it with.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

SRC - Members
Correspondence

TELEPHONE 3-3036

L. E. THOMAS
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW
1035 N. W. SECOND AVENUE
MIAMI 36, FLORIDA

1st
August
1950

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I enclose check in the sum of $10.00 in response to your letter of July 27, 1950.

Thank you for calling my attention to the fact that I have, personally, given the Council no support in three years.

Yours very truly,

L. E. Thomas

L. E. Thomas

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SRC - Bd of Dirs - Correspo.

December 9, 1948

Rt. Rev. Charles Clingman
421 South Second Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Bishop Clingman:

The Southern Regional Council has been honored by your membership on its Board of Directors for the four-year term from 1944 through November 10, 1948.

I should like to express personally to you my appreciation of the help and encouragement you have given to the Council's program. We hope that in the future you will continue to be one of our firm supporters. We count you still as an active member.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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cc: Mrs. Agnes McKoy

Bd mem

October 28, '49

Dear Mr. Tydings,

We are delighted we are to have you; we need you.

Dr. Dorris and Mr. Baer will bemost welcome. I wish I could offer some help on getting Mr. Baer here and back, but under the circumstances must accept your willingness to let our reimbursement of your own expense cover his - or such part as you may agree upon.

I should think the Board meeting would be happy to have either or both of these gentelemn as visitors, for some part of the Board meeting on Nov. 8.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

P.S. Please come prepared to talk for eight or ten minutes about Kentucky and the Division in the last year. Paul Williams is anxious to have this annual meeting as much as possible a report from over the South. GSM

S.R.C. -
Bd of Directors
pledges
for 1949

M. Dabbs.
Personal Pledge
$20
Magnolia, S.C.

SRC - Bd of Direc
I will make an additional contribution
$ 110 N C Newbold

M. A. Wright, Linville Falls, N.C. $25.00 to apply on
S. Carolina's pledge of $200.00 made today. Please bill me.
M. A. W.

J. R. Henderson
816 Ply Lane, N.W.
Atlanta, Ga.

I will be responsible
for raising $25.00
for next year Bd.

I will give 250.00
this year
George Whitfield

Nov. 11, 48
Paid

For 1949

To raise $250

Charles M. Smith.

I pledge $100 to SRC during 1949 Paid
Alfred Snyders

Mrs. McKoy:

I will give personally $100 toward the 1949 budget. Hope to pay this in march or April - earlier if possible. Please notify me

Benjamin E. Mays

Paid

Atlanta, Ga. Nov. 11, 1948

We will make sincere and earnest effort to secure from the Mississippi Division of SKC, including the portion going to the Division, $1730.00, $10.00 per member.

Signed:- Mrs. M. H. Ratliff.
H. Brent Schaiffle

Mrs McKay,

I had already told Dr. Mitchell (yesterday) that I'd be responsible for one hundred dollars for the forthcoming budget — that either I will get the membership or make the contribution myself.

Peter S. Clark
Louisiana University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

November 11, 1948.

SRC. Board of Directors - Membership

PAUL R. CHRISTOPHER
STATE DIRECTOR, TENNESSEE

PHONE 2-6780

Organizing Committee

216 FLATIRON BUILDING
KNOXVILLE 17, TENN.

GEORGE BALDANZI
NATIONAL DIRECTOR
JOHN V. RIFFE
ASST. NAT'L DIRECTOR

ORAL L. GARRISON
NAT'L SEC'Y-TREAS.

January 23, 1950

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432
63 Auburn Ave., N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

At last I can see my way clear to accept the membership on your Board which was voted last year, and do so gladly.

Sorry about the delay, but you understand the reasons.

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul R. Christopher
Tennessee Director

PRC:me

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, Inc.
63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E.
ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

February 7, 1950

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Southern Regional Council

Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas Howell Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Haas:

This is the upshot of the meeting of the Executive Committee, February 2, 1950. The full minutes of the meeting will come forward to you in a few days.

The Committee asked that this letter be prepared for Mr. Williams signature, but that it also be reviewed by Miss Josephine Wilkins, Dr. Gordon Hancock and you, in your capacity as Counselor.

If you will, return it to me with corrections, I will assemble the corrected copies and forward them to Mr. Williams to mail out to the Board.

on which please be free!
SVM

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:wgd

no corrections,
Leonard Haas

SRC - Bd. of Directors - Correspondence

Dear Board Member:

The Executive Committee of the Council met February 2, 1950, no earlier date in this year having proved practical.

Its principal business was ~~versant~~ purouent to the resolution of the Board at its meeting November 8, 1949 as follows: "The Board upon motion directed that the present staff be given assurance through January 31, 1950, the Executive Committee to meet as early as practicable in January and determine on behalf of the Board what further steps should be taken. "

The audit for the year 1950 disclosed total income of $53,033.71, with a total of $46,318.38 expenditures, giving an excess of income over expenditures of $6,715.33. The Council had, however, entered the year 1949 with a ~~back~~ deficit of around twelve thousand dollars and on December 31, 1949 had actual accounts payable amounting to $3,546.39, with cash available amounting to only $269.99. The principal item of indebtedness was the amount of $2,189.42 ~~$1,834.48~~ owed to the printer. In addition, the Council owes the Executive Director $1,500 obtained from a loan on a paid-up life insurance policy plus another hundred dollars plus unpaid salary for January 31, 1950.

As of January 31, total current indebtedness was approximately $5,000. The Council has the following additional obligations:

Accrued salary to Mr. Thomas F. Byrd	$4,500.00
Additional salary which will be due Mr. Byrd On April 15	2,500.00
Obligation to ~~keep~~ continue for the second year ~~of~~ two year project for home twon self-survey	2,573.57
Total	$ 9,573.57

The Council Staff was greatly reduced October 20, 1949 and the current level of operation is at approximately three thousand dollars a month as against approximately four thousand five hundred dollars a month previously. The committee considered ~~the~~ further reduction of the staff but concluded that to go below the present skeleton basis would gravely cripple the work of the Council.

After hearing the report of Mr. Byrd on his efforts to raise funds and after review by various members of the Executive Committee of efforts they themselves had engaged in or had planned, the Committee felt that it was reasonable to assume that in the coming few months the Council should realize from Foundations, religious denominations and private individuals a sum on the order of $19,000. In addition, the Council has assured income from dues, sale of literature, and customary annual donations of not less than $8,000. On the basis of a full year's opeation in 1950, therefore, the Committee faced a situation in which there was reason to assume ~~no~~ income of no more than $26,000 with obligations at the end of the year of $45,000. The Committee took note, however, of a reasonable anticipation that quite a large sum would be available to the Council at a later date not known.

Under the circumstances, the Executive Committee felt justified in authorizing the continuance of the Council at its present level of expenditure through April 30, 1950, and directed that the Executive Committee should be summoned to meet again Friday March 31 for a review of the situation at that time. If on March 31, the finances of the Council had so greatly improved as to let the Committee feel that the Council's obligations would be pretty well met, no further action would be taken. It was directed, however, in the event that on March 31 the financial situation had not thus greatly improved, the Board would be summoned to meet Saturday, April 22, 1950.

The Executive Committee took note of the fact that while the Council is a corporate body and, therefore, enjoys limited liability; nevertheless, a moral obligation would rest upon the Board of Directors of the Council to find the money either to continue or to liquidate it debt free.

You are, therefore, requested to reserve Saturday April 22 for the contingency that the Board may be called on that date. All concerned hoped that it would be possible to find the funds without calling the Board into that emergency meeting.

While the Executive ~~Director~~ Committee did not say so, I may be pardoned as president in adding a plea that you, as a Board member, take every possible step toward increasing the Council's income between now and March 31, 1950.

Sincerely,

Paul Williams
President

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A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

February 20, 1950

TO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

This is to report to you following the meeting of the Executive Committee held pursuant to the directive given by the Board at its last meeting, November 8, 1949, which was: "The Board upon motion directed that the present staff be given assurance through January 31, 1950, the Executive Committee to meet as early as practicable in January and determine on behalf of the Board what further steps should be taken."

You will recall that we began last year with a deficit of around $12,000. Review by the Executive Committee of the audit for the year, ending December 31, showed:

$53,033.71	- income
46,318.38	- expenditures
$ 6,715.33	- income over expense
269.99	- cash on hand
3,549.39	- accounts payable ($2,189.42 of which due printer)

Other obligations outstanding at the close of the year:

$ 2,600.00	- commitment to continue for a second year the two-year project for home town self-surveys
1,500.00	- loan from Executive Director
3,500.00	- accrued salary to Thomas F. Byrd

It should be pointed out that in an effort to raise sizable funds for the Council, Mr. Byrd is giving his services to us through the middle of April on an accrual salary basis. With that in mind, you will see we closed 1949 with current accounts payable and other obligations totalling $11,149.39.

Since reduction of its staff in October, the Council has been operating on approximately $3,000 a month, as against $4,500 previously. The Executive Director considers that staff is now at the minimum for the Council

to continue in its present form. Therefore, to carry on at our present level of operation for the current year would require $36,000. To this would be added the foregoing obligations carried over from last year, together with salary for Mr. Byrd through April 15.

After hearing from Mr. Byrd and from members of the Committee on progress made toward raising funds for the Council, it seemed reasonable to assume that in the coming few months the Council should receive around $19,000 from foundations, religious denominations, and individuals; and over the remainder of the year not less than $8,000 from dues, sales, and customary annual donations. The Committee took note also of a reasonable anticipation that quite a large sum would be available to the Council at a later date not known.

Under these circumstances, the Executive Committee, acting for you, authorized the continuance of the Council at its present level of expenditures through April 30. The Committee is to meet again on March 31 and will report to you its review of the situation at that time. The Committee has directed, if the situation has not greatly improved, a meeting of the full Board be called for Saturday, April 22.

Please reserve that date for the contingency that the Board may be called to meet at that time.

While the Executive Committee did not say so, I may be pardoned as president in adding a plea that you, as a Board member, take every possible step toward increasing the Council's income between now and March 31.

Sincerely,

Paul D. Williams
President

February 15, 1950

Mr. Paul D. Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Williams:

We are mailing you for your signature the report to the Board of Directors. The letters are dated February 20th to allow ~~for~~ time ~~in~~ for signing and mailing.

Thank you for your cooperation. Here's hoping the response is favorable and overwhelming. All our good wishes.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff

SRC-Board of Dir

February 23rd, 1950

Atlanta University
223 Chestnut Street S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia.

Attention: Mrs. S. M. Nabrit

Dear Mrs. Nabrit:

Here is our check covering luncheons for our annual and Board of Directors meetings which Atlanta University so kindly provided.

We are ever grateful for your kindness and hospitality, and for the good offices of all who contribute to making it such a pleasant occasion.

You will note that I have added a small sum to cover tips for the Directors' luncheon, since I understand that this was not attended to at the time.

With kindest good wishes, and our thanks again,

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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Southern Regional Council, 63 Auburn
Ave., Atlanta, Ga. Wa. 7963

5:30 P. M.

March 31, 1950

NIGHT LETTER

By action Executive Committee today, board called to meet Atlanta Saturday, April twenty-second. Council life hangs in balance for relatively small amount. While funds lacking for payment travel expense, need of your counsel pressing. Earnestly urge you make any sacrifice nedessary to be present. Letter follows.

Southern Regional Council
Paul Williams, President

March 31, 1950

Send accompanying Night Letter to:

Mr. R. B. Atwood	Pres., Kentucky State College	Frankfort, Ky.
Dr. A. D. Beittel	Pres., Talladega College	Talladega, Ala.
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Mr. A. T. Butler	1515 Harden Street	Columbia, S. C.
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Mr. Paul Christopher	216 Flatiron Building	Knoxville, Tenn.
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Mr. James M. Dabbs	Route #1	Mayesville, S. C.
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Rev. W. H. Marmion	1910 12th Ave. South	Birmingham 5, Ala.
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Mr. Alfred Mynders	Editor, Chattanooga Times	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Mr. N. C. Newbold	Director of Negro Education State Dept. of Public Instruction	Raleigh, N. C.
Rev. V. J. O'Connell, S.M.	2901 S. Carrolton Ave.	New Orleans, La.
Dr. Howard W. Odum	Dept. of Sociology, University of North Carolina	Chapel Hill, N. C.
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MEMORANDUM

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

To: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
From: PAUL D. WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT

Subject: CALL FOR BOARD MEETING APRIL 22, 1950, 10:00 A.M. Meeting to be held at the Council's own offices, 63 Auburn Ave., N.E., Atlanta

You will recall my letter of February 20, cautioning that an emergency meeting of the Board might become necessary, and asking you to hold April 22.

The Executive Committee met March 31, to canvass the situation. They found that, in spite of the efforts made by the staff and by the committee members, adequate funds have not been raised. Some good-sized gifts are in prospect, but not in hand. If the Council is to continue through the year, even on the present reduced basis, and meet all its obligations, it will require $23,000 beyond the income clearly expectable. About $5,000 of that can probably be found from individual or foundation gifts.

It seemed to the Executive Committee that the best plan for raising the remaining $18,000 was to ask our Board members and Division heads in each State to raise $2,000. The Board when it convenes may approve that plan, and undertake to see it through. Or the Board may find another plan, or decide on some other course — including liquidation of the Council.

Between now and April 22 you are urged by the Executive Committee to get such a plan under way in your State, and to come to the Board meeting with as much in hand or committed as possible. We are asking the Head of your State Division to talk with you about what the several Board members, with their friends, can do.*

This is THE emergency. For this cause we count on your use of time and your respected place in the community to pull in what will keep the Council at work.

If you will really, and put this through, there is some grounds for believing that we can have an easier financial situation in future years. But you must, this time, show your support.

*Three States we thought should be exempted. South Carolina because on its own it raised just lately all it could. Mr. Dabbs, as Chairman of the South Carolina Division, wrote each member in the State, and asked for donations to the Council's need. They came in. Arkansas because the Division there is brand-new. Oklahoma because we have so few members in the State. But the Executive Committee thought each of the others could raise $2,000.

April 3, 1950

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July 24, 1950

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Doctor Mitchell:

Thank you for your letter of July 13 bringing me up to date on the finances of the Council. You know, of course, that you have my full and continued support. I certainly hope that we will be able to work out satisfactory financial support for the Southern Regional Council.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Rufus E. Clement

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Algene Acres
Newberry, S.C.
Oct. 4, 1950

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

It is with real regret that I shall not be able to attend the Board and membership meetings. I hope to see you at the S.C. annual meeting on the 9th.

The statement prepared by the staff is excellent, and most timely. I hope some such statement may be adopted, and that it will be given wide distribution to the press, and to educators, boards of trustee, etc. in particular.

Sincerely yours,

Alice H. Spearman

Mrs. Eugene H. Spearman

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

It is now a quarter of nine and I am leaving in about a half hour and haven't had an opportunity of reading your proposed draft, carefully.

I think it is very good, except I believe in this statement there should be something like the following:

> "As citizens, relying upon the Bill of Rights, the Constitution of the United States and fair play, we solicit and urge the active cooperation of all concerned, including those who are of a different mind, so that we together can meet the problem that is yours as well as ours and in so doing harmonize and strengthen the relationship so that there will be no scars. Our one objective is to make haste slowly but not to forget that these rights are sacred for all citizens and a high responsibility likewise of all without excep tion."

I don't know whether this has merit but it is presented for your consideration.

Best wishes,

Faithfully yours,

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

I should like to voice my approval of the substance of the Proposed Statement which you submitted for consideration on November 7, 1950. One can see signs already that the spirit of this document is beginning to find reception in some quarters. Here in Oklahoma, in particular, we are moving in the direction indicated. The admission of Negroes into our graduate schools has occasioned no friction worthy of mention.

There is some fear that the court regulations are likely to be extended downward to include the public schools before too long, and I can see that there will be opposition to it when that time comes. Consequently, as never before, whites are taking an interest in public education, and bonds are being voted in numerous communities to improve Negro schools. I do not like the motivation behind this generosity, and I know it will be expensive. But, if the segregation pattern should be abolished, as I hope it will some day, we shall need the schools we are now building, and we shall have them. In some places, the abolition of segregation might render some schools superfluous, but in most of the places I know this would not occur.

I think I shall be unable to attend the meeting because of the distance and the expense. If I were there, I doubt that I could do more than to lend the same moral support to the work which I am able to exert any way.

Sincerely yours,

O. D. Duncan

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I have had an opportunity to read the draft of the proposed statement to be issued by the Board of Directors at the meeting on November 7 and my first reaction is to approve some such statement.

I am sorry I can't be with you all on the seventh and eighth and if, after a further perusal of the proposed statement, I find that I have suggestions or criticisms to offer, I will endeavor to communicate with you again by November 4.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Wilson M. Brown

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
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63 Auburn Avenue - Room 432
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Re the statement to be recommended to the Board for November 7, I accept all of the factual content of the same. However, without stating or indicating the occasion of the statement, it seems suspended in air. I think the occasion for making it should be stated. Without having the occasion for making it, so as to link up what really is sought to be done, I could not be sure, but I thought that there might be some instances of non-consecutive in the article. Generally, I'll buy it, I am only suggesting that it be tightened up on the one hand, and that some statement, showing the occasion or the reason for making the statement, be carried to give point to it.

Best wishes,

Very truly yours,

Carter Wesley

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October 31, 1950

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I have received a draft of a Proposed Statement to be Issued by the Southern Regional Council Board of Directors on November 7, 1950.

I am in thorough agreement with your statement except that I have doubts about an Advisory Committee ever giving way to membership on a Commission. I am sure, however, that this will come out in the discussions and I think the statement is very good.

With kindest good wishes, I remain

Yours very sincerely,

Harold L. Trigg
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TO: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

FROM: GEORGE S. MITCHELL

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Please read it and ponder. For those who are to be present at the Board meeting there will be ample opportunity to discuss a statement of this kind. If you are not to be present, I am sure the other members of the Board would greatly value your criticism and comment. To be helpful to the meeting, your comments should be received in Atlanta by November 4.

George
Your statement is excellent. So is Mays' article and your Sept-Oct issue of New South.
Sorry I can't be with you
Garland Pollard
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Frankfort, Kentucky

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OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Doctor Mitchell:

I have read very carefully the draft of the proposed statement to be issued by the SRC. If I were in attendance, I would certainly vote for it without any changes whatsoever.

With kindest regards and very best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

R. B. Atwood

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I know very definitely at this time that it will not be possible for me to attend the forthcoming meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council because of a much earlier commitment in New York and in Washington relating to National responsibilities with our country's Defense Effort. Kindly make this explanation that the group might know.

I am sure that, 'ere this letter reaches you, Mrs. Tilly will have told you of the response of Louisiana towards the formation of a State Organization. She seemed pleased with this effort.

The draft of the statement enclosed in your letter is an excellent one, and in my opinion it needs no alteration.

Sincerely yours,

Felton G. Clark.

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Mr. George Mitchell, Director
Southern Regional Council
Wesley Memorial Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear George:

I would have only one criticism of the proposed statement to be issued by the SRC Board of Directors --- it is too long. I think it is too long to be distributed in this form to the membership, and if it is intended for the press it is certainly much too long. Haven't you always found it better to have press releases cut down to a size they will probably print in full rather than leave the cutting to the editors?

Best regards,

Philip.

PS/r

Philip Shulhafer

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Dr. George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N E
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

This will acknowledge your letter of November 3. I certainly hope that Dr. Poteat will be able to obtain a strong person as chairman of the North Carolina Committee.

You may expect me at the meetings of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors, although it appears that I shall not be able to stay over for the meeting of the Membership on November 8, which is the date on which we are having a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bank.

This will also acknowledge receipt of the statement proposed for adoption by the Board of Directors. In my opinion, it is timely and well worded. If possible, I should like for you to consider having the statement include some reference to the necessity for providing more employment opportunities for Negroes if the South is to prosper and benefit from the ability and talent of its entire population. It also occurs to me that the reference to appointment of representative Negroes should be a bit more specific, pointing out the fact that invariably, those Negroes who are readily acceptable to the dominant group are not acceptable to Negroes. Typical of the situation is the instance in which Dr. Mays' name was mentioned as a successor to Dr. James E. Shepard at North Carolina College. One of the Trustees (white) of the School stated that he had been reading Dr. Mays' column in the Pittsburg Courier and that he was not a proper person for the presidency of North Carolina College. On the other hand, few Negroes in America are more representative of the thinking Negro people than Dr. Mays.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. H. Wheeler

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SRC - Board of Directors

Proposed Statement To Be Issued
By SRC Board of Directors
November 7, 1950 DRAFT

Discriminations long taken for granted in the South are today yielding their bitter harvest. The Southern states are discovering that equal opportunity — as defined not only in the U. S. Constitution, but also in their own laws and constitutions — is expensive and difficult of achievement. They are learning just how unequal our "separate but equal" facilities are, in health, education, housing, recreation, and scores of other public services. Under the pressure of court action, they are discovering that the time is rapidly running out when postponement and token approaches to equalization will suffice.

The problem is talked about in terms of dollars and cents; repairing the neglect of generations is a costly business. But, as the Southern Regional Council has repeatedly pointed out, the problem is a material one-and something more. The South has an old unpaid debt to its Negro citizens: to reward patience and loyalty with recognition and acceptance. This debt will not be satisfied merely by bestowing upon the Negro population increased benefits long overdue (although that is an end far from attainment). As Dr. Benjamin E. Mays declared recently in New South: "There is a growing conviction among Negroes that if one racial group makes all the laws and administers them, holds all the power and administers it, and has all the public money and distributes it, it is too much to expect that group to deal as fairly with the weak, minority, non-participating group as it deals with its own."

What is needed is a shift from paternalism to democracy. Negroes should be given full and fair representation on the policy-making and administrative bodies which make decisions affecting their welfare.

These would include, of course, boards and commissions governing the whole range of public services. But the need today is of special urgency in the field of education.

In county after county over the South, Federal courts have ruled, or are being asked to rule, that equal school facilities must be provided for Negro children without delay. School boards and other public officials are anxiously examining their budgets and making belated starts at improvement. A few rabble-rousers, more interested in votes than in progress, are shouting defiance at the courts and seeking to incite the public to anger. Other spokesmen have taken on the futile task of justifying and explaining away the inequalities which are too plain to be denied. Still others, while deploring existing discriminations, deplore even more the filing of lawsuits demanding correction.

Such protestations are neither justified nor constructive. In view of the long record of evasion and inaction, it is hardly surprising that Negroes are turning with increasing frequency to the courts for the remedy to old injustices. That is a lawful and accepted procedure in our democracy, and should not cause dismay or indignation. On the contrary, it should cause some honest self-examination. School suits, by and large, are the fruits of bad faith. There is every reason to believe that the Negro plaintiffs, like the defendants, would prefer a less expensive and more cooperative method of reaching agreement. The best way to achieve that is to grant Negroes a voice in the policy making which determines the quality of education their children are to receive.

Much attention is being focused just now on the attainment of two equal school systems. Who is to say what is equal? On past experience, our only arbiter on that is the courts. And the briefs prepared for the

courts by contending parties inevitably stress the mathematics of equality: How many desks, of what model, at what cost, on how many square feet of floor space, for how many white pupils, as compared with how many of each of these for how many Negro pupils. And ultimately a court must state a formula -- a number. True equality is not static arithmetic. It is a running matter. It requires trustworthy day-to-day administration. How can that be contrived? The only answer is representation of all parties on the important policy boards. If we are to have flexibility and order and understanding in the conduct of our school system in the South, we must build a system of school administration which all concerned can believe in.

In many places, of course, boards of education are elective rather than appointive, and it is up to qualified Negro persons to seek the office. That has happened seldom in the past, partly because of threats, intimidation, or other more subtle pressures -- but mostly because there is little or no hope of success. In town after town, districts have been gerrymandered precisely in order that Negro voters may not make up a majority in any one district. Such jealous and exclusive control of the governmental machinery by the dominant group obviously is to be condemned. Until it is remedied, there is little likelihood in many communities of Negro representation on elective boards. Meanwhile the sole expedient -- and one which can only be regarded as temporary and inadequate -- is the establishment of Negro advisory committees. These would at least allow opportunity for the wishes and needs of the minority to be heard.

It need hardly be pointed out that no representation can be effective unless it honestly expresses the feelings of the group represented. Here and there, public officials no doubt will be tempted to appoint persons

whose compliance and readiness to please would make for easy agreement. But such appointments will not accomplish their purpose. True agreement -- particularly in a matter as sensitive and important as educational opportunity -- can be reached only if the minority view is voiced with frankness and considered with respect.

The opportunity is before us to strengthen our region and hasten its progress by admitting all our people to the ranks of our common citizenship. There could be no more appropriate time than now, and no more appropriate field than education, for that step to be taken.

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Bd member

November 10, 1950

Mr. E. W. Palmer
Kingsport Press, Inc.
Kingsport, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Palmer:

We were sorry not to have you at the meeting, but appreciated having your letter of November 3.

The Board meeting whacked out good long parts of the statement and modified it here and there. In the altered form, the Board and the general membership meeting both then approved it.

I suppose we will carry the statement as approved in the next issue of New South and will try to make a special effort to get that issue into the hands of local and State school officials.

So far as I know, we would simply show it as having been adopted at the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Council November 7.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er
Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

Dictated 11/9/50

NEW YORK OFFICE
1 EAST 57TH STREET

CHICAGO OFFICE
325 WEST HURON STREET

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TENNESSEE

Complete Book Manufacturers

November 3, 1950

Miss Norma Huff, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Huff:

I have held the various notices of the impending Board meeting on November 8 in the hope that I might be able to attend, but I find that I must be here in Kingsport on that date.

I have read and reread the recommended statement which accompanied Mr. Mitchell's letter (undated).

I see nothing truly objectionable in this statement and believe I envision the reasoning behind its proposed issuance.

At the same time, and while I am in general accord with all of the statements therein, I incline to the belief that the present attempts to force racial equality in educational facilities in the South (while properly provoked and eminently justified in many areas) may indicate that this is not the precise period in which to make public such a statement by the S.R.C.

I wish I might attend the meeting in order to benefit by the discussion this will develop.

Cordially yours,

E. W. Palmer

E. W. Palmer
President

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November 13, 1950

Reverend William H. Marmion
St. Andrew's Church
Shipley at Eighth
Wilmington, Delaware

Dear Reverend Marmion:

The Council feels a great loss in your resignation from the Board of Directors. Be assured that you are still a highly valued member and we continue to think of you as one of us. Of course, you will continue to receive all our publications and notices.

Dr. Beittel sent us a generous check, a balance left over from the meeting in your honor in Birmingham. Along with its being a contribution of the Alabama Division of the Council, we consider it as being your gift also.

We are grateful for all the help and guidance you have given the Council and wish you much success in your new church.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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St. Andrew's Church

Shipley at Eighth
Wilmington, Delaware

The Rev. William H. Marmion, B. D.
Rector

The Rev. Edward H. Ehart, Jr., Th. D.
Associate

Telephones: 6-8027 and 4-8855

Mr. Harrison Walker,
Choirmaster and Organist

Miss Cornelia Van B. Harris, M. A.
Director of Religious Education

Mrs. Virginia L. Moore,
Parish Secretary

October 31st, 1950

Mrs. Norma Huff, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Huff:

I regret to say that I shall have to resign from the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council. On September 15 I took up my duties as rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, Delaware. I doubt if I am eligible for membership in the organization because of this move, and in any event I should not be able to get to any meetings. However, I shall not forget you and what the organization stands for. Please continue to send me "The New South" and any other publications of the organization you think I would be interested in and bill me for the same at the above address.

Sincerely yours,

William H. Marmion

William H. Marmion

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SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION
Woman's Society of Christian Service
The Methodist Church
MRS. E. U. ROBINSON, President
127-5th Ave., S.
FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE
Tel. 637-R

November 21, 1950

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Room 432
63 Auburn Avenue N.E.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mr. Mitchell,

Thank you for your letter of November 10. I appreciate my election as a member of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council.

I have been tremendously interested in the work of the Council all along, and while being a member of the Board may not increase my interest it will probably give me opportunity to be of more service in this work.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. E. U. Robinson

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Same letter to:

William E. Cole
~~Archbishop Gerald O'Hara~~
David D. Jones
Raymond Paty
Philip Shulhafer
Goodrich White

November 29, 1950

Mr. R. B. Atwood
Kentucky State College
Frankfort, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Atwood:

The by-laws of the Southern Regional Council lay it down that a member of the Board is eligible for no more than two consecutive terms. I daresay it will have been out of your mind, but in the official records your second term of Board membership came to an end at the membership meeting November 8, 1950.

Although quite a number of nominations were made toward filling the vacancies on the Board, the decision finally reached was that only two or three should be filled. This was in contemplation of a probable reduction later in the size of the Council's governing body.

We are truly grateful to you for your period of service to the Council and the things it stands for. While we lose you as a Board member, I am sure we can call on you for good and all for things that will help our kind of work within the South.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

November 30, 1950

Most Rev. Gerald P. O'Hara
Archbishop-Bishop of Savannah-Atlanta
222 East Harris Street
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Archbishop O'Hara:

The by-laws of the Southern Regional Council lay it down that a member of the Board is eligible for no more than two consecutive terms. I daresay it will have been out of your mind, but in the official records your second term of Board membership came to an end at the membership meeting November 8, 1950.

Although quite a number of nominations were made toward filling the vacancies on the Board, the decision finally reached was that only two or three should be filled. This was in contemplation of a probable reduction later in the size of the Council's governing body.

We are particularly grateful to you for your period of service to the Council and the things it stands for. While we lose you as a Board member, I feel sure you will let us call on you in the future for the kind interest you have taken in us in these years.

Respectfully,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

Bd. of Directors - Correspondence

December 28, 1950

Mr. C. H. Parrish
926 South 6th Street
Louisville 3, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Parrish:

We sincerely hope that our delay in reimbursing you for traveling expenses has not caused you any inconvenience. We are happy to have been able to reimburse all expenses for the meetings during this past week.

We wish you a great deal of success in your efforts toward more democracy in the university of Louisville, and we are most interested to learn of the progress being made.

Our kindest regards and season greetings.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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LOUISVILLE MUNICIPAL COLLEGE
LOUISVILLE 3, KY.
DIVISION OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

December 12, 1950

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Mitchell:

In the light of the precarious financial condition of SRC, it causes me considerable embarrassment to write this letter. It is about the travel expense to the Boar d meeting. My request was for plane fare only, $50.14, if I remember correctly. Perhaps the form I filled out has been lost or misplaced. It is on this possibility that I am calling the matter to your attention.

We are in the midst of quiet effort to get the U of L Board of Trustees to alter its stand on the integration of Negro instructors. A month ago President Taylor resigned to become Deputy Director of UNESCO. This has necessitated a reorganization of our forces and a change of strategy. Small groups of sympathetic white citizens are making individual contacts with Board members. Next week representatives of our faculty are making a formal protest to the Board. Just to be sure of our legal grounds, we have gone to considerable expense to secure from Nabrit, in Washington, an opimion on our case.

It is largely because of the uncertainty of the outcome of these activities that I must be prepared for a further outlay of funds for legal counsel. I hope you will understand the sense of urgency which prompts me to write this letter.

sent NH 12/16/50

Yours truly,

C.H.Parrish

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

June 8, 1949

Invocation

Roll Call

Minutes of last meeting

Staff reports:

General report - Dr. Mitchell

Membership and finance - Mrs. McKoy

Business from previous meetings:

a. Location of the annual meeting (November 9th)

New Business:

proxies

Board vacancies to be filled at annual meeting

Date for September meeting.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1949 through June 6, 1949

RECEIPTS

Julius Rosenwald Fund Withdrawals	$15,000.00	1/
Edgar Stern Family Fund	500.00	
Marion R. Ascoli Fund	500.00	2/
Phelps Stokes Fund	250.00	
Ashby Jones Good will Fund	25.00	
Catholic Church Appropriations:		
Catholic Missionary Union	1,500.00	
His Eminence Cardinal Stritch	1,000.00	
Episcopal Church Appropriations:		
Woman's Auxiliary to National Council in Diocese of Florida	25.00	
Methodist Church Appropriations:		
Division of Home Missions and Church Extension	500.00	
Board of Education	250.00	
W.S.C.S. Mississippi Conference	25.00	
W.S.C.S. Kentucky Conference	25.00	
W.S.C.S. First Methodist Ch. of Tampa	10.00	
Kentucky State Division of SRC	25.00	
Member Dues	962.25	
Member Contributions	4,082.50	
Non-Member Contributions	250.00	
Dues Received for State Divisions	466.25	
Contributions received for State Divisions	271.50	
New South Subscriptions	135.20	
Miscellaneous Literature	1,128.46	
Refunds:		
Travel	389.74	
Postal (Harper Bros, etc.)	110.19	
Office Supplies	94.40	
Book Orders	10.00	
Telephone	3.29	
Honoraria - GSM	77.72	
Royalties	11.40	
Interest on invested Funds	225.00	
Trust Fund. South Wide Womens Meeting	681.26	
Citizens Trust Loan (30 - days)	2,000.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$30,534.16	

1/ $5,000 withdrawn in 1948; $5,000 still on hand

2/ For Home Town Self-Survey

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1949 through June 6, 1949

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$13,748.13
Dec. 1948 W.T.	251.20
Payment of Loan	5,000.00
Travel	2,787.88
Paid for 1948 Accounts	1,847.62
Printing	1,760.59
Returned to State Divisions	961.71 1/
Postage	825.78
Rent	750.00
Office Equipment and Supplies	577.42
Advisory Committee Honoraria	430.00
Telephone and Telegraph	357.24
Books and Subscriptions	161.31
Audit	125.00
Miscellaneous	46.16
Insurance	41.44
Interest on loan of 6/2/49	20.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$29,691.48

Bank Balance January 1, 1949	$ 204.15
Revenue (includes $151.30 cash on hand)	30,534.16
	30,738.31
Disbursements	29,691.48
Balance in Bank and on hand - 6/6/49	$ 1,046.83

1/ ($474.31 is for 1948 - not included in 1948 accounts payable)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1949 through June 6, 1949

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Stein Printing Company	$ 872.52 1/
Dues and Contributions owed to State Divisions	210.75
Southeastern Envelope Company	128.86
Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company	46.87
Press Clippings	25.10
Ivan Allen & Marshall Office Supplies	15.74
Elliott Adding Machine Company	13.93
Western Union	5.95
Miscellaneous	48.36
	$ 1,368.08

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Literature	$ 133.06
Soundscriber	300.00
	$ 433.06

1/ (Does not include May Invoice - not yet received)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

January 1, 1949 through June 6, 1949

FORESEEABLE INCOME FOR REMAINDER OF 1949

Balance due on $250.00 Pledges	$ 1,365.00	
Balance due on pledges not a part of the $250.00 Campaign	550.00	$1,915.00
Episcopal Church Appropriation Province of Sewanee		100.00
Methodist Church Appropriations:		
Division of Home Missions and Church Extension	500.00	
General Board of Education	250.00	
W. S. C. S. - Holston Conference	25.00	
W. S. C. S. - Kentucky Conference	25.00	
W. S. C. S. - Louisville Conference	25.00	
W. S. C. S. - Tennessee Conference	25.00	850.00
Presbyterian Church Appropriations		
Committee on Woman's Work		25.00
Interest on Invested Funds		75.00
Members Dues		1,500.00
Accounts Receivable		
Literature	133.06	
Office Equipment	300.00	433.06
Literature		1,200.00
New South		300.00
Anonymous Southern Foundation		3,000.00
		$9,398.06

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

January 1, 1949 through June 6, 1949

GIVERS AND PLEDGERS ON $250.00 CAMPAIGN

NAME	STATE	AMOUNT
Mr. Donald Comer	Birmingham, Alabama	$250.00
Mr. G. D. Rogers	Tampa, Florida	$250.00
Mr. Leonard Haas	Atlanta, Georgia	$250.00
Dr. George S. Mitchell	Atlanta, Georgia	$250.00
Mr. Edgar Stern Mrs. Edgar Stern	New Orleans, Louisiana	$250.00
Dr. Howard Odum	Chapel Hill, North Carolina	$250.00
Mr. Asa Spaulding Mr. C. C. Spaulding Mr. John H. Wheeler	Durham, North Carolina	$250.00
Mr. Spencer Love	Burlington, North Carolina	$250.00
Mr. D. W. Uzzle	Durham, North Carolina	$250.00
Mr. Charles Smith	Arlington, Virginia	$250.00
Miss Ruth Hawes Mrs. Julia Hill	Richmond, Virginia	$250.00
Mr. Paul Williams	" "	250.00
Mr. S. T. Marcus	Frankfort, Kentucky	$ 25.00
~~Mr. M. Hanes~~ Perkins	~~Winston Salem, North Carolina~~	$100.00
Mrs. Gertrude Weil	~~Greensboro~~, North Carolina Goldsboro	$100.00

INFORMATION ON BOARD VACANCIES

I Those leaving the Board in 1948

Charles Clingman - not reelected
H. D. Goode - not reelected
Z.A. Looby - Not reelected
Jacob L. Reddix - not reelected
R. L. Russell- became ex officio
Thomas S. Staples - not reelected
Edgar B. Stern - reelected, but resigned
Mrs. A. M. P. Strong - not reelected
J.G. Stuart - not reelected

II Replacing those leaving

Mr. E. W. Palmer
Dr. Arthur Raper
Dr. Harry V. Richardson
President Clyde Milner
Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Bishop R.R. Wright, Jr.
P. B. Young, Sr.

III Those offered membership, but not accepting

Mark Ethridge
Judge J. Waties Waring
Edward R. Stettinius
Jonathan Daniels
Barry Bingham

IV Board members known to be resident outside the South

Ira deA. Reid
Clark Foreman
Louis Burnham

V There are two vacancies on the Board

VI Class of 1949

Stanley Brav[1]
Charlotte Hawkins Brown
Hodding Carter
Rufus E. Clement
R. P. Daniel
Ernest Delpit
W. H. Marmion
John A. Griffin
Leonard Haas
Jacob R. Henderson
Maynard Jackson
Armand May
E.A. McDowell
L.D. Milton
Alfred Mynders
C. H. Parrish
F. D. Patterson
Mrs. Warren Zeuch
Edwin A. Penick
John O. Pollard, Jr.
G. D. Rogers
J.W. Seabrook
Mrs. Eugene Spearman
J. M. Tydings
Forrester B. Washington
Aubrey Williams
Marion A. Wright

[1]resigned
[2]dropped

VII People suggested as possible Board members

Miss Cassandra Maxwell, Orangeburg, S.C.
Mr. A.T. Butler, Palmetto
Mr. Nat Warren
Rabbi Charles Mantinband, Florence, Ala.
Mrs. E.V. Robinson, Cookville, Tenn.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL January 31, 1950

RECEIPTS

Balance in Bank on January 1	First National	$ 269.99
	Citizens Trust	384.98
	Total	$ 754.97

Catholic Missionary Union	$1,000.00
Division of Home Missions & Church Ext. Methodist Church	250.00
Canal Wood Corporation	100.00
Frederick R. Jeffrey, Great Neck, N. Y.	100.00
South Carolina Division	15.00
Miss Ruth B. Hawes, Virginia	12.00
Special Contributions ($20.00 - $25.00)	145.00
Lecture Fees - G.S.M.	67.77
Member Dues	172.50
Dues Received for State Divisions	73.40
Member Contributions	87.50
New South subscriptions & renewals	26.88
Sales of Literature	151.33
Travel Refunds	116.23
Refund by Ga. Committee - Credit Office Supplies	3.68
Loan from Citizens Trust on January 31, 1950	150.00
Total	$2,581.29

Henry's corrected copy

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
BALANCE SHEET
MARCH 24, 1950

ASSETS

First National Bank of Atlanta	$25.85
Citizens Trust Company	550.09
Georgia Committee on Interracial Cooperation	1.00
	$576.94

LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT

Accounts Payable	2,933.46
Loan Payable - Dr. G.S. Mitchell	1,500.00
Due State Divisions	580.75
Contingent Liability - Home Town Self-Survey	2,573.57
Southwide Church Women's Meeting	530.59
Withholding Taxes Payable	123.30
Total Liabilities	8,241.67
Deficit	7,664.73-
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT	576.94

RECONCILIATION OF
SOUTHWIDE CHURCH WOMEN'S MEETING ACCOUNT
MARCH 24, 1950

DUE FROM SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.		
January 1, 1950		$84.98
INCOME:		
Independent Aid, Inc.		500.00
		584.98
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Salaries	300.00	
Office Expense	34.61	
Postage	19.78	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		354.39
BALANCE - MARCH 24, 1950		530.59
DUE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.		
For Outstanding Check		
Which has been Cancelled		20.00
BANK BALANCE MARCH 24, 1950		550.59

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
JANUARY 1, 1950 TO MARCH 24, 1950

RECEIPTS

Beginning Bank Balances:			
First National Bank of Atlanta		$269.99	
Citizens Trust Company		384.98	
			$654.97
DUES		737.50	
CONTRIBUTIONS:			
Foundations:			
Marshall Field Foundation	$2,500.00		
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1,000.00		
Edgar Stern Family	300.00		
Sigmund Silberman Foundation	250.00		
Booker T. Washington Birth Place Memorial	100.00		
Other Sources:			
Members Contributions	646.80		
Organizational Contributions	210.00		
Special Contributions	872.00		
Church Sources:			
Methodist:			
Division of Home Missions	250.00		
Ky. Conference W.S.C.S.	25.00		
Catholic Sources	1,025.00		
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS		7,718.80	
REFUNDS:			
Travel	255.77		
Office Supplies	56.77		
Salaries	22.40		
Postage	19.78		
Telephone	.81		
TOTAL REFUNDS		355.53	
Lecture Fees		152.76	
Withholding Taxes		525.50	
State Divisions		433.00	
Loan - Citizens Trust Company		150.00	
Fellowship of the Concerned Fund		500.00	
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature		308.39	
New South Subscriptions		37.38	
			10,378.86
TOTAL			11,033.83

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$5,063.73	
Travel	1,320.55	
Printing of New South	1,143.02	
Withholding Taxes	938.12	
Postage	312.06	
Southwide Church Women's Meeting	354.39	
Rent	260.00	
Paid to State Divisions	209.75	
Repayment of Loans:		
Dr. George Mitchell	200.00	
Citizens Trust Company	150.00	
Committee Meetings, Luncheons, etc.	129.81	
Telephone	168.09	
Office Supplies	104.42	
Press Clippings	36.00	
Books and Magazines Subscriptions	15.30	
Bank Charges	2.90	
Miscellaneous Literature Refunds	3.25	
Returned Checks	1.50	
New South Refunds	.50	
Special Services	5.00	
Interest Paid	.50	
Advisory Committee	30.00	
Insurance	9.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		$10,457.89
Cash Balance, March 24, 1950		
First National Bank		25.85
Citizens Trust Company		550.09
TOTAL		$11,033.83

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES
JANUARY 1, 1950 TO MARCH 24, 1950

INCOME

DUES	747.50	
SALE OF MISCELLANEOUS LITERATURE	305.14	
LECTURE FEES	152.76	
NEW SOUTH SUBSCRIPTIONS	36.88	
CONTRIBUTIONS:		
FOUNDATIONS:		
Marshall Field Foundation	2,500.00	
Phelps - Stokes Fund	1,000.00	
Edgar Stern Family Fund	300.00	
Sigmund Silberman Foundation	250.00	
Booker T. Washington Birth Place Memorial	100.00	
CHURCH SOURCES:		
METHODIST:		
Division of Home Missions	250.00	
Kentucky Conference, W.S.C.S.	25.00	
CATHOLIC SOURCES	1,025.00	
MEMBERS' CONTRIBUTIONS	646.80	
ORGANIZATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS	210.00	
SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS	872.00	
TOTAL		8.421.08

EXPENSES

Salaries	$5,346.60	
Travel	791.84	
Postage	292.28	
Rent	390.00	
Printing of New South	206.50	
Office Supplies	181.09	
Telephone	213.90	
Audit	110.00	
Books and Magazine Subscriptions	47.80	
Press Clippings	29.70	
Committee Meetings, Luncheons, etc.	15.81	
Special Services	5.00	
Bank Charges	2.90	
Returned Checks	1.50	
Interest Expense	.50	
Insurance	9.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES		$7,644.42
REDUCTION IN DEFICIT		776.66
TOTAL		$8,421.08

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
January 1 - March 24, 1950

RECEIPTS

Bank Balances - January 1, 1950			
First National Bank		$269.99	
Citizens Trust Company		384.98	$654.97
Dues			737.50
Contributions:			
Foundations:			
Marshall Field Foundation	$2,500.00		
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1,000.00		
Edgar Stern Family Fund	300.00		
Sigmund Silberman Foundation	250.00		
Independent Aid, Inc. for Fellowship of the Concerned	500.00	4,550.00	
Church Sources:			
Catholic Sources	1,025.00		
Methodist Church Division of Home Missions	250.00		
Ky. Conf. of W.S.C.S.	25.00	1,300.00	
Other Sources:			
Returns from $100 letter	860.00		
S.C. Division, 1950	165.00		
Member Contributions	646.80		
Other Special Contributions	157.00	1,828.80	
Total Contributions			7,678.80
Refunds:			
Travel		255.77	
Office Supplies		56.77	
Salaries		22.40	
Postage		19.78	
Telephone		.81	355.53
Miscellaneous Receipts:			
Lecture Fees, Dr. Mitchell		152.76	
Withholding Taxes		506.00	
Received for State Divisions		433.00	
Loan - Citizens Trust Company		150.00	
Sale of Literature		308.59	
New South Subscriptions		37.38	1,587.53
Total Receipts			11,014.33

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

JANUARY 1, THROUGH MARCH 24, 1950

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$5,044.23
Travel	1,320.55
Printing - New South	1,143.02
Withholding Taxes	938.12
Postage	312.06
Fellowship of the Concerned Fund	382.89
Rent	260.00
Paid to State Divisions	209.75
Repayment of Loans:	
Dr. G.S. Mitchell	200.00
Citizens Trust Company	150.00
Atlanta University - Expense for 1949 Annual Meeting	118.00
Telephone and Telegraph	168.09
Office Supplies	104.42
Press Clippings	36.00
Books and Subscriptions	15.30
Bank Charges	2.90
Miscellaneous Literature refunds	3.25
New South refunds	.50
Returned checks	1.50
Special Services	5.00
Interest Paid	.50
Insurance on Pamphlet Stock	9.00
Advisory Committee Honoraria	30.00
Miscellaneous	11.81
Total Disbursements	$10,466.89

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

As of March 24, 1950

Printing		$ 1,050.90 ($850.90 is 1949)
Office supplies, stationery, expense		205.01
Telephone and telegraph		93.54
* Rent		130.00
Travel		51.78 ($34.77 is 1949)
Salaries:		
G.S.M.	$555.60 ($50 since pd)	
A.McK.	294.84 (leave)	
* D.T.	63.80	
H.B.	30.00	944.24
With Holding Tax		159.10
State Divisions		420.00
Audit		100.00
Press Clippings		29.70
Loan, G.S.M.		1,500.00
TOTAL		$ 4,684.27

Contingent liability, H.T.S.S., $2,573.57 Less amt. charged off for first quarter of 1950	700.00	$ 1,873.57
Salary, Mr. Byrd, through April 15,1950		$ 7,000.00
		$ 13,557.84

* Paid since March 24, 1950

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1 through March 24, 1950

Expectable Income, Rest of 1950

Church Contributions:		
Methodist Church:		
Division of Home Missions and Church Extension		$ 750.00
Woman's Div. Christian Service		1,000.00
Miscellaneous, Conf. W.S.C.S.		100.00
Presbyterian:		
Committee on Women's Work		25.00
Dues		1,600.00
New South Subscriptions		250.00
Ashby Jones Goodwill Fund		100.00
Yet expected on $100.00 letter:		
Dr. Jemison	$ 50.00	
Bishop Taylor	100.00	
Bishop Shaw	50.00	200.00
Marshall Field Foundation		2,500.00
TOTAL		$ 6,025.00

Monthly Expenditures, Estimated Rate 1/
(Based on 1st quarter, 1950 and known, fixed expense)

Salaries	$ 1,348.30
Travel (Excludes T.F.B.)	50.00
Printing	250.00
Rent	130.00
Telephone and Telegraph	60.00
Postage	100.00
Office Supplies and Expenses	40.00
Press Clippings	15.00
Audit	8.50
Insurance	4.00
Bank Charges	1.00
Miscellaneous	5.00
TOTAL	$ 2,511.80

1/Figures do not include expense of an annual meeting which comes to approximately $1,000.00 each year.

S U M M A R Y

Balances, 1-1-50		$ 654.97
Received, January-March 1950		10,359.36
		$11,014.33
Expenditures " " "		10,466.89
Balance, March 24,1950		$ 547.44
Balance, Fellowship Fund	$ 502.09	
Balance, General Fund	45.35	547.44

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Owed by the Council, March 24, 1950:	$4,684.27
Contingent liability, HTSS	1,837.57
Mr. Byrd	7,000.00
	$13,557.84

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Expectable income, rest of 1950	$ 8,025.00
Current monthly expenditures	2,511.80

Henry's uncorrected copy

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
BALANCE SHEET
MARCH 24, 1950

ASSETS

First National Bank of Atlanta	525.73
Citizens Trust Company	550.09
Georgia Commission on Inter-Racial Relations	1.00
TOTAL ASSETS	1,076.82

LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT

Accounts Payable	2,933.46
Loan Payable - Dr. George Mitchell	1,500.00
Due State Divisions	580.75
Contigent Liability --Home-Town Self Survey	2,573.57
Southwide Church Women's Meeting	530.59
Withholding Taxes Payable	274.60
Deficit	7,316.15-
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT	1,076.82

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
JANUARY 1, 1950 TO MARCH 24, 1950

RECEIPTS:

Beginning Bank Balances:			
First National Bank of Atlanta		269.99	
Citizens Trust Company		384.98	
			654.97
DUES		737.50	
CONTRIBUTIONS:			
FROM FOUNDATIONS:			
Marshall Field Foundation	2,500.00		
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1,000.00		
Edgar Stern Family Fund	300.00		
Sigmund Silberman Foundation	250.00		
Booker T. Washington Birth-Place Memorial	100.00		
OTHER SOURCES:			
Members Contributions	646.80		
Organizational Contributions	210.00		
Special Contributions	872.00		
CHURCH SOURCES:			
Methodist:			
Division of Home Missions	250.00		
Kentucky Conference, W.S.C.S.	25.00		
Catholic Sources	1,025.00		
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS		7,178.80	
REFUNDS:			
Conference Travel	255.77		
Office Supplies	56.77		
Salaries	22.40		
Postage	19.78		
Telephone	.81		
TOTAL REFUNDS		355.53	
Lecture Fees		152.76	152.76
Withholding Taxes		506.00	506.00
State Divisions		433.00	433.00
Loan - Citizens Trust Company		150.00	150.00
Southwide Church Women's Fund		500.00	500.00
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature		308.39	308.39
New South Subscriptions		37.38	37.38
			10,359.36
TOTAL			11,014.33

EXPENSES

Salaries	5,155.94	
Conference Travel	748.08	
Postage	280.28	
Rent	390.00	
Printing of New South	206.50	
Office Supplies	142.54	
Telephone	159.29	
Audit	110.00	
Books and Magazine Subscriptions	47.80	
Press Clippings	29.70	
Committee Meetings, Luncheons, etc.	15.81	
Special Services	5.00	
Bank Charges	2.90	
Returned Checks	1.50	
Interest Expense	.50	
TOTAL EXPENSES		7,295.84
Reduction in Deficit		1,125.24
TOTAL		8,421.08

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	4,873.07	
Conference Travel	1,276.79	
Printing of New South	1,143.02	
Withholding Taxes	767.32	
Postage	300.06	
Southwide Church Women's Meeting	354.39	
Rent	260.00	
Paid to State Divisions	209.75	
Repayment of Loans:		
Dr. George Mitchell	200.00	
Citizens Trust Company	150.00	
Committee Meetings, Luncheons, etc.	129.81	
Telephone	113.48	
Office Supplies	65.87	
Press Clippings	36.00	
Books and Magazine Subscriptions	15.30	
Bank Charges	2.90	
Miscellaneous Literature Refunds	3.25	
Returned Checks	1.50	
New South Refunds	.50	
Special Services	5.00	
Interest Paid	.50	
Advisory Committee	30.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		9,938.51
Cash Balance, March 24, 1950		
First National Bank of Atlanta		525.73
Citizens Trust Company		550.09
TOTAL		11,014.33

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AGENDA

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Executive Committee Meeting

March 31, 1950

1. Invocation
2. Choice of acting chairman
3. Minutes
4. Disposition of dues in excess of $3.00
5. Letter of Mrs. Ames
6. Action: Re: Secretary-treasurer
7. Reports Re:
   a. Arkansas Division - Mrs. Tilly
   b. "Fellowship of the Concerned" - Mrs. Tilly
   c. Self-Survey - Mrs. Simpson
   d. Publications - Mr. Fleming
8. Finances
   a. Mrs. McKoy
   b. Mr. Byrd
   c. Dr. Mitchell
9. Decision Re: Board Meeting
10. Other Business
11. Adjournment

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
January 1 - March 24, 1950

RECEIPTS

Bank Balances - January 1, 1950			
First National Bank		$269.99	
Citizens Trust Company		384.98	$654.97
Dues			737.50
Contributions:			
Foundations:			
Marshall Field Foundation	$2500.00		
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1000.00		
Edgar Stern Family Fund	300.00		
Sigmund Silberman Foundation	250.00		
Independent Aid, Inc. for Fellowship of the Concerned	500.00	4,550.00	
Church Sources:			
Catholic Sources	1,025.00		
Methodist Church			
Division of Home Missions	250.00		
Ky. Conf. of W.S.C.S.	25.00	1,300.00	
Other Sources:			
Returns from $100 letter	860.00		
S.C. Division, 1950	165.00		
Member Contributions	646.80		
Other Special Contributions	157.00	1,828.80	
Total Contributions			7,678.80
Refunds:			
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Office Supplies		56.77	
Salaries		22.40	
Postage		19.78	
Telephone		.81	355.53
Miscellaneous Receipts:			
Lecture Fees, Dr. Mitchell		152.76	
Withholding Taxes		506.00	
Received for State Divisions		433.00	
Loan - Citizens Trust Company		150.00	
Sale of Literature		308.39	
New South subscriptions		37.38	1,587.53
Total Receipts			11,014.33

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

JANUARY 1, THROUGH MARCH 24, 1950

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$5,044.23
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Printing - New South	1,143.02
Withholding Taxes	938.12
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Paid to State Divisions	209.75
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Citizens Trust Co.	150.00
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Office Supplies	104.42
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Books and Subscriptions	15.30
Bank Charges	2.90
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New South refunds	.50
Returned checks	1.50
Special Services	5.00
Interest Paid	.50
Insurance on Pamphlet Stock	9.00
Advisory Committee Honoraria	30.00
Miscellaneous	11.81
Total Disbursements	$10,466.89

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

As of March 24, 1950

Printing		$ 1,050.90	($850.90 is 1949)
Office Supplies, stationery, expense		205.01	
Telephone and telegraph		93.54	
**Rent		130.00	
Travel		51.78	
Salaries:			
G. S. M.	$555.60 ($50.00 since pd)		
A. McK.	294.84 (leave)		
** D. T.	63.80		
H. B.	30.00	944.24	
With Holding Tax		159.10	
State Divisions		420.00	
Audit		100.00	
Press Clippings		29.70	
Loan, G.S.M.		1,500.00	
TOTAL		$ 4,684.27	
Contingent liability, H.T.S.S. $2,573.57 Less amt. charged off, for first quarter of 1950	700.00	$ 1,873.57	
Salary, Mr. Byrd, through Apr.15		7,000.00	
			$ 13,557.84

*** Paid since 3-24-50

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1 through March 24, 1950

Expectable Income, Rest of 1950

Church Contributions:		
Methodist Church:		
Division of Home Missions and Church Extension		$ 750.00
Woman's Div. Christian Service		1,000.00
Miscellaneous, Conf. W.S.C.S.		100.00
Presbyterian:		
Committee on Woman's Work		25.00
Dues		1,600.00
New South Subscriptions		250.00
Ashby Jones Goodwill Fund		100.00
Yet expected on $100.00 letter:		
Dr. Jemison	$ 50.00	
Bishop Taylor	100.00	
Bishop Shaw	50.00	200.00
Marshall Field Foundation		2,500.00
TOTAL		$8,025.00

Monthly Expenditures, Estimated Rate 1/
(Based on 1st quarter, 1950 and known, fixed expense)

Salaries	$1,848.30
Travel (Excludes T.F.B.)	50.00
Printing	250.00
Rent	130.00
Telephone and Telegraph	60.00
Postage	100.00
Office Supplies and Expenses	40.00
Press Clippings	15.00
Audit	8.50
Insurance	4.00
Bank Charges	1.00
Miscellaneous	5.00
TOTAL	$2,511.80

1/ Figures do not include expense of an annual meeting which comes to approximately $1,000.00 each year.

S U M M A R Y

Balances, 1-1-1950		$ 654.97
Received, January-March 1950		10,359.36
		$11,014.33
Expenditures " " "		10,466.89
Balance, March 24,1950		547.44
Balance, Fellowship fund	$ 502.09	
Balance, General Fund	45.35	547.44

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Owed by the Council, March 24,1950	$ 4,684.27
Contingent Liability, HTSS	1,837.57
Mr. Byrd	7,000.00
	$13,557.84

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Expectable income, rest of 1950	$ 8,025.00
Current monthly expenditures	2,511.80

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

BALANCE SHEET

April 18, 1950

First National Bank of Atlanta	$ 228.84
Citizens Trust Company	495.59
	724.43

LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT

LIABILITIES (Per Exhibit "A")	11,473.21
Home Town Self-Survey	2,448.19
Fellowship of the Concerned	495.59
TOTAL LIABILITIES	14,416.99
DEFICIT	13,692.56
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT	$ 724.43

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

STATEMENT OF LIABILITIES

April 18, 1950

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

Dr. George S. Mitchell - Loan	$1,500.00	
1/Dr. George S. Mitchell - Salary	1,090.00	
Stein Printing Company	1,050.90	
State Divisions	716.25	
Southeastern Envelope Co.	125.33	
1/2/Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph	124.25	
2/Wesley Memorial Building - Rent	130.00	
2/Mrs. Gertrude McKenney - Salary	118.13	
Paul Williams - Travel	115.34	
Harold C. Fleming - Travel	75.98	
Withholding Taxes - April	63.90	
1/Burrelle Press Clipping Service	57.10	
Lyle E. Campbell	50.00	
Gershon Printing Company	42.25	
Rt. Rev. Msgr. McNamara - Travel	35.35	
Dr. Guy Johnson - Travel	46.13	
Mrs. M. E. Tilly - Travel	38.11	
1/Elliott Addressograph Company	33.18	
H. Birnbrey	30.00	
Pitney Bowes	22.50	
2/Tidwell Company	7.50	
2/Western Union	1.01	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		$5,473.21
Nine-month Note - Thomas F. Byrd		6,000.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES		$11,473.21

1/Partial payment since preparation of report.

2/Paid since preparation of report.

EXHIBIT " A "

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
SOURCES OF REVENUE
JANUARY 1, 1950 TO APRIL 18, 1950

Balance in Bank, January 1, 1950			$ 654.97
RECEIPTS:			
General:			
Dues	982.50		
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature	369.69		
New South Subscriptions	38.88		
Lecture Fees	202.76	1,593.83	
Contributions:			
Foundations:			
Marshall Field Foundation	2,500.00		
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1,000.00		
Edgar Stern Family Fund	300.00		
Sigmund Silberman Foundation	250.00	4,050.00	
Church Sources:			
Methodist:			
Division of Home Missions	500.00		
Kentucky Conference W.S.C.S.	25.00		
Mississippi Conference W.S.C.S.	25.00		
Catholic Sources	1,025.00	1,575.00	
Other Sources:			
Membership Contributions	654.95		
Organizational Contributions	210.00		
Special Contributions	1,208.00	2,072.95	
Special Efforts:			
North Carolina State Division	80.00		
Tennessee State Division	205.00		
Florida State Division	150.00		
Alabama State Division	100.00		
Georgia State Division	100.00		
South Carolina State Division	250.00		
Abram-Haas Effort	1,267.00	2,152.00	
Other Sources - Exchanges:			
Refunds	444.98		
Loan - Citizens Trust	150.00		
Fellowship of the Concerned	500.00		
Withholding Taxes	525.50		
State Divisions	568.50	2,188.98	
TOTAL RECEIPTS			13,632.76
TOTAL RESOURCES			$14,287.73

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Sources of Revenue

April 19, 1950 - May 31, 1950

Balance in Bank, April 18, 1950			$ 724.43
RECEIPTS:			
General			
Dues	$553.50		
Sale of Miscellaneous Lit.	121.32		
New South subscription	12.50		
Lecture Fees	150.00	$837.32	
Contributions:			
Foundations:			
William C. Whitney Foundation		500.00	
Organizations			
United Steel Workers		1,000.00	
Church Sources:			
Catholic	100.00	100.00	
Episcopal	15.00	115.00	
Other Sources:			
Membership Contributions	56.00		
Special Efforts:			
Alabama	108.00		
Georgia	647.50		
Kentucky	274.00		
Abram-Haas effort	250.00		
*Louisiana	435.00		
Mississippi	225.00		
North Carolina	177.00		
South Carolina	347.00		
Tennessee	658.00		
Texas	170.00		
Virginia	422.00		
$100.00 Letter campaign	50.00		
Mrs. E. Roosevelt	100.00	3,919.50	
Other Sources: Exchange			
Refunds	89.74		
Withholding Taxes	529.55		
State Divisions	233.50	852.79	
TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS			$7,949.04

*Includes $300.00 from Edgar Stern Family Fund.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Status of State Efforts

as of
June 9, 1950

	Pledged	Paid
ALABAMA	$ 500.00	$ 208.00
FLORIDA		150.00
GEORGIA	2,350.00	1,155.50
Abram-Haas Effort		(1,520.00)
KENTUCKY	1,000.00	260.50
LOUISIANA	1,500.00	469.00
MISSISSIPPI	1,000.00	232.00
NORTH CAROLINA	2,000.00	185.00
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,250.00	1,010.25
TENNESSEE	1,000.00	825.00
TEXAS	500.00	172.00
VIRGINIA	800.00	432.00
TOTALS	$10,900.00	$5,099.25

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Statement of Liabilities

June 8, 1950

CURRENT LIABILITIES:			
Stein Printing Company	$842.70		
Dr. George S. Mitchell - salary	625.00		
State Divisions	804.75		
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		$2,272.45	
OTHER LIABILITY:			
Thomas F. Byrd - nine months note		6,000.00	
George S. Mitchell - loan		1,500.00	
TOTAL LIABILITIES			$9,772.45

June 14, 1950

Mr. Henry Birnbrey
715 Peters Building
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Henry:

Here's a copy of the report you prepared for us. The last page shows the status of the Home Town Self-Survey. Thought you might like a copy for your own records.

As I said over the phone yesterday, I'd like to account for the Fellowship of the Concerned in the same way. If, at your convenience, you can let me know what sums in January, February, and March should be transferred, I will do the rest.

Sums are not flowing in so freely these past few days. It's getting tight again. I could use some of your optimism.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

NH:jwh

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

BALANCE SHEET

June 1, 1950

ASSETS

First National Bank	$1,450.67
Citizens Trust Company	487.59
TOTAL ASSETS	1,938.26

LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT

Liabilities (per attached exhibit)	11,621.34
Home Town Self Survey (Deferred)	2,448.19
Fellowship of the Concerned	487.59
TOTAL LIABILITIES	14,557.12
DEFICIT	12,618.86
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT	$ 1,938.26

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Sources of Revenue

April
~~May~~ 19,-1950 - May 31, 1950

Balance in Bank, (~~April~~ May) 18, 1950			$ 724.43
RECEIPTS:			
General:			
Dues	$553.50		
Sale of Miscellaneous Lit.	121.32		
New South subscriptions	12.50		
Lecture fees	150.00	$ 837.32	
Contributions:			
Foundations:			
William C. Whitney Foundation		500.00	
Organizations:			
United Steel Workers		1,000.00	
Church Sources:			
Catholic	100.00		
Episcopal	15.00	115.00	
Other Sources:			
Membership contributions	56.00		
Special Efforts:			
Alabama	108.00		
Georgia	647.50		
Abram-Haas effort	250.00		
Kentucky	274.00		
*Louisiana	435.00		
Mississippi	225.00		
North Carolina	177.00		
South Carolina	347.00		
Tennessee	658.00		
Texas	170.00		
Virginia	422.00		
$100 Letter Campaign	50.00		
Mrs. E. Roosevelt	100.00	3,919.50	
Other Sources: Exchange			
Refunds	89.74		
Withholding taxes	529.55		
State Divisions	233.50	852.79	
TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS			$7,949.04

*Includes $300.00 from Edgar Stern Family Fund.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Statement of Liabilities
June 1, 1950

Current Liabilities:

Stein Printing Company	$842.70	
Lyle Campbell, C.P.A.	50.00	
Gershon Printing Company	52.00	
Southern Bell Telephone Co.	67.31	
Press Clipping	17.30	
Fulton Printers	37.50	
Office Supply Company	3.60	
Dr. George S. Mitchell - Salary	625.50	
State Divisions	804.75	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES 6/6/50		$2,499.96
Invoices Paid June 1 - 6		1,621.38
Current Liabilities June 1		4,121.34

Other Liability:

Thomas F. Byrd - nine months note	6,000.00	
Dr. G.S. Mitchell - loan	1,500.00	7,500.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES June 1, 1950		11,621.34

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

EXPENDITURES FOR THE HOME TOWN SELF-SURVEY, January 1, 1950 - May 31, 1950

Salaries:			
Jane Simpson	$622.91		
Harold Fleming	237.50		
Norma Huff	75.00	$935.41	
Travel:			
Jane Simpson	91.55		
Harold Fleming	24.20	115.75	
Bookkeeping		7.50	
Rent		65.00	
Printing		400.00	
Telephone		4.25	
Envelopes (5,000)		43.50	
Clerical work (covering letters, etc.)		5.67	
Postage:			
Paid Manual Orders	13.97		
Free Manuals	2.53		
Greenville Study (New South)	57.50		
Free, Greenville Study	15.32	89.32	
Complimentary copies:			
Manual (23)	5.75		
Greenville Study (253)	50.60	56.35	
EXPENDITURE FOR THE HOME TOWN SELF-SURVEY			$1,722.75
Less Sale of:			
Manuals (127)	$31.75		
Greenville Study (1800)	360.00		-391.75
TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE HOME TOWN SELF-SURVEY, 1950			$1,331.00

Available Funds in 1949		$6,000.00
Expenditure in 1949	$3,632.93	
Expenditure in 1950	1,331.00	-4,963.93
Remaining Liability for Home Town Self-Survey		$1,036.07

Only those pages included with agenda were reported to meeting

Complete Report Annual Meeting 1950

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
JANUARY 1, 1950 to OCTOBER 31, 1950

INCOME:		
Contributions (See Exhibit "A")	26,495.78	
Membership Dues	3,791.30	
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature	1,014.73	
Honoraria	618.75	
New South Subscriptions	423.44	
TOTAL INCOME		32,304.00
EXPENSES:		
Salaries	18,235.16	
Fund Raising Fee	6,000.00	
Travel	2,548.48	
Printing - New South & Misc. Lit.	1,712.65	
Office Supplies	1,174.93	
Rent	1,157.00	
Postage	1,035.30	
Telephone & Telegraph	672.59	
Press Clippings	183.00	
Audit	135.00	
Interest	75.50	
Books & Magazine Subscriptions	67.20	
Meetings and Luncheons	15.81	
Miscellaneous	14.50	
Bank Charges	9.70	
Insurance	9.00	
Special Services	5.00	
Returned Checks	2.50	
TOTAL EXPENSES		33,053.32
INCREASE OF DEFICIT		$ 749.32-

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENTS OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
JANUARY 1, 1950 to OCTOBER 31, 1950

CASH RECEIPTS:		
Contributions (See Exhibit "A")		26,495.78
Membership Dues		3,657.80
Withholding Taxes		2,137.05
State Divisions:		
Alabama	145.25	
Arkansas	51.00	
Florida	188.00	
Kentucky	59.00	
Mississippi	163.00	
New Orleans	70.50	
North Carolina	149.00	
South Carolina	2.50	
Tennessee	111.00	1,137.75
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature		787.95
Refunds:		
Travel	460.11	
Office Supplies	86.02	
Salaries	50.13	
Postage	27.78	
Telephone	5.47	629.51
Honoraria		618.75
Fellowship of The Concerned		560.00
N.C.C.J - Rock Hill, S. C., Self Survey		500.00
Home Town Self Survey		442.45
New South Subscriptions		423.94
Note - Citizens Trust Co.		149.50
Checks Returned - Redeposited		8.00
BALANCE IN BANKS, JANUARY 1, 1950		654.97
TOTAL AVAILABLE CASH		$ 38,203.45

CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Salaries		18,592.70
Printing - New South & Misc. Literature		3,344.12
Travel		3,229.20
Withholding Taxes		2,481.87
Home Town Self Survey		2,439.08
State Divisions:		
Alabama	157.00	
Arkansas	49.50	
Florida	227.50	
Kentucky	95.00	
Mississippi	156.00	
New Orleans Commission on Interracial Cooperation	137.00	
North Carolina	343.50	
South Carolina	25.00	
Tennessee	131.25	1,321,75
Office Supplies		1,222.46
Rent		1,157.00
Postage		1,063.08
Telephone & Telegraph		675.82
Fellowship of the Concerned		387.37
Loan Payable - Dr. George S. Mitchell		200.00
Press Clippings		190.70
Meetings and Luncheons		159.81
Note - Citizens Trust Company		150.00
Audit		135.00
Books and Magazine Subscriptions		67.20
Returned Checks		10.50
Cash Shortage		10.00
Bank Charges & Exchange		9.70
Insurance		9.00
Miscellaneous Literature Refunds		6.00
Special Services		5.00
Repairs		3.50
Corporate Registration Fee		1.00
Interest Expense		.50
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		36,872.36
BALANCE IN BANKS		1,331.09
TOTAL		$ 38,203.45

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
BALANCE SHEET
OCTOBER 31, 1950

ASSETS

First National Bank	339.05	
Citizens Trust Co.	992.04	1,331.09
Accounts Receivable		232.78
Ga. Commission on Interracial Cooperation		1.00
TOTAL ASSETS		$ 1,564.87

LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT

Accounts Payable (See Exhibit "B")	9,121.03
Fellowship of The Concerned	557.61
Home Town Self Survey	576.94
Rock Hill, N. C. - Home Town Self Survey	500.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	10,755.58
Deficit	9,190.71 -
TOTAL LIABILITIES LESS DEFICIT	$ 1,564.87

Exhibit "A"

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED
JANUARY 1, 1950 to OCTOBER 31, 1950

CHURCH SOURCES:			
Methodist:			
Division of Home Missions	750.00		
Women's Div. of Christian Service, Bd. of Missions	1,000.00		
Board of Education	200.00		
Women's Society of Christian Service:			
Kentucky	25.00		
Mississippi	25.00		
Memphis	25.00		
Tennessee	40.00		
Alabama	10.00		
North Carolina	25.00	2,100.00	
Catholic Sources:			
Catholic Missionary Union	1,000.00		
The Cardinal-Archbishop of Chicago	1,000.00		
Cath. Committee of South	125.00	2,125.00	
American Friends Service Comm.		1,000.00	
Episcopal:			
Women's Auxiliary, Natl. Council, Diocese of Fla.		15.00	
TOTAL CHURCH SOURCES			5,240.00
FOUNDATIONS:			
Phelps-Stokes Fund		1,000.00	
Edgar Stern Family Fund		300.00	
Marshall Field Foundation		2,500.00	
Sigmund Silberman Foundation		250.00	
William C. Whitney Foundation		1,000.00	
TOTAL FOUNDATIONS			5,050.00
OTHER SOURCES:			
Mr. and Mrs. John Hay Whitney		2,000.00	
Anonymous Manufacturer		1,000.00	
United Steelworkers of America-CIO		1,000.00	
Textile Workers Union of America-CIO		500.00	
U.A.W.-CIO		500.00	
South Carolina State Division		15.00	
General Contributions		2,350.06	7,365.06

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Exhibit "A"

Schedule of Contributions Continued

STATE EFFORTS:		
Georgia	3,422.50 1/	
South Carolina	1,255.88 3/	
Tennessee	828.00	
Virginia	732.00	
Alabama	536.84	
Texas	495.00	
Louisiana	469.00 2/	
North Carolina	401.00	
Kentucky	285.50	
Mississippi	259.00	
Florida	156.00	8,840.72
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS		26,495.78

1/ includes Abram-Haas Atlanta Emergency Appeal - $1,520.00
2/ includes $300.00 Edgar Stern Family Fund
3/ includes $174.00 South Carolina dues returned to complete pledge

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STATE PLEDGES

	Pledged	Paid
ALABAMA	500.00	536.84
FLORIDA	—	156.00
GEORGIA	2,350.00	3,422.50
KENTUCKY	1,000.00	285.50
LOUISIANA	500.00	469.00
MISSISSIPPI	2,000.00	259.00
NORTH CAROLINA	2,000.00	401.00
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,250.00	1,255.88
TENNESSEE	1,000.00	828.00
TEXAS	500.00	495.00
VIRGINIA	800.00	732.00
TOTALS	11,900.00	8,840.72

Exhibit "B"

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
SCHEDULE OF LIABILITIES
OCTOBER 31, 1950

Thomas F. Byrd		6,000.00
Dr. George S. Mitchell, Loan and Interest		1,575.00
Stein Printing Co.		557.95
State Divisions:		
Alabama	18.00	
Arkansas	1.50	
Florida	7.50	
Kentucky	6.50	
Mississippi	16.50	
North Carolina	18.50	
South Carolina	2.50	
Tennessee	9.00	80.00
Salaries:		
Dr. George S. Mitchell	312.50	
Mrs. Norma Huff	116.66	429.16
Withholding Taxes		191.10
Travel:		
Dr. George S. Mitchell	37.11	
W. W. Alexander	67.00	104.11
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co.		49.16
Gershon Printing Co.		42.00
Clipping Service		28.30
Columbia Ribbon & Carbon Co.		25.65
Dictating Machine Co.		11.88
Milton Jones Co.		9.50
Ivan-Allan-Marshall Co.		6.50
F. G. Bernal Co.		5.20
Elliott's Addressing Machine Co.		3.27
Office Supply Co.		2.25
TOTAL		$ 9,121.03

HOME TOWN SELF-SURVEY

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
JANUARY 1, 1950 to OCTOBER 31, 1950

Income:		
Contributions	560.00	
Sale of Pamphlets	442.45	
Total Income		$ 1,002.45
Expenses:		
Salaries	1,781.59	
Printing of Miscellaneous Literature	466.95	
Travel	221.76	
Rent	143.00	
Postage	119.37	
Office Supplies	78.53	
Telephone and Telegraph	15.25	
TOTAL EXPENSES		2,826.45
REDUCTION OF LIABILITY		$ 1,824.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
JANUARY 1, 1950 to NOVEMBER 30, 1950

INCOME:		
Contributions (See Exhibit "A")	26,495.78	27,715.07
Membership Dues	3,751.30	4,253.80
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature	1,014.73	1,036.65
Honoraria	618.75	618.75
New South Subscriptions	423.44	459.94
TOTAL INCOME	32,304.00	34,084.21

Exhibit "A"

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED
JANUARY 1, 1950 to NOVEMBER 30, 1950

CHURCH SOURCES:			
Methodist:			
Division of Home Missions	750.00		
Women's Div. of Christian Service, Bd. of Missions	1,000.00		
Board of Education	200.00		
Women's Society of Christian Service:			
Kentucky	25.00		
Mississippi	25.00		
Memphis	25.00		
Tennessee	40.00		
Alabama	10.00		
North Carolina	25.00		
*Louisville	25.00	2,125.00	
Catholic Sources:			
Catholic Missionary Union	1,000.00		
The Cardinal Archbishop of Chicago	1,000.00		
Cath. Committee of South	125.00	2,125.00	
American Friends Service Comm.		1,000.00	
Episcopal:			
*Province of Sewanee	100.00		
Women's Auxiliary, Natl. Council, Diocese of Fla.	15.00	115.00	
TOTAL CHURCH SOURCES			5,365.00
FOUNDATIONS:			
[1]Phelps-Stokes Fund		1,200.00	
Edgar Stern Family Fund		300.00	
Marshall Field Foundation		2,500.00	
Sigmund Silberman Foundation		250.00	
William C. Whitney Foundation		1,000.00	
TOTAL FOUNDATIONS			5,250.00
OTHER SOURCES:			
Mr. and Mrs. John Hay Whitney		2,000.00	
Anonymous Manufacturer		1,000.00	
United Steelworkers of America-CIO		1,000.00	
Textile Workers Union of America-CIO		500.00	
U.A.W.-CIO		500.00	
South Carolina State Division		15.00	
[2]General Contributions		2,580.56	7,595.56

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Exhibit "A"

Schedule of Contributions Continued

Marshall Field Foundation for New South $2,500.00

STATE EFFORTS:

	October 31		November 30	
Georgia	$3,422.50 1/		3,422.50	
South Carolina	1,255.88 2/		1,256.88	
Tennessee	828.00		828.00	
Virginia	732.00		732.00	
Alabama	536.84		536.84	
Texas	495.00		495.00	
Louisiana	469.00 3/		569.00	
North Carolina	401.00		511.00	
Kentucky	285.50		341.78	
Mississippi	259.00		330.51	
Florida	156.00	$8,840.72	481.00	9,504.51
	8,840.72		$9,504.51	
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS		$26,495.78		$30,215.07

1/includes Abram-Haas Atlanta Emergency Appeal - $1,520.00
2/includes $300 Edgar Stern Family Fund
3/includes $174 South Carolina dues returned to complete pledge

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STATE PLEDGES

Alabama	500.00	536.84
Florida	-	481.00
Georgia	2,350.00	3,422.50
Kentucky	1,000.00	341.78
Louisiana	500.00	569.00
Mississippi	2,000.00	330.51
North Carolina	2,000.00	511.00
South Carolina	1,250.00	1,256.88
Tennessee	1,000.00	828.00
Texas	500.00	495.00
Virginia	800.00	732.00
	11,900.00	9,504.51

		OCTOBER, 31	NOVEMBER, 30
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:			
Salaries		18,592.70	19,607.68
Printing - New South & Misc. Literature		3,344.12	3,524.12
Travel		3,229.20	3,714.11
Withholding Taxes		2,481.87	2,619.37
Home Town Self Survey		2,439.08	2,439.08
State Divisions:			
Alabama	157.00		
Arkansas	49.50		
Florida	227.50		
Kentucky	95.00		
Mississippi	156.00		
New Orleans Commission on Interracial Cooperation	171.50		
North Carolina	343.50		
South Carolina	25.00		
Tennessee	131.25	1,321.75	1,356.25
Office Supplies		1,222.46	1,228.96
Rent		1,157.00	1,287.00
Postage		1,063.08	1,101.08
Telephone & Telegraph		675.82	777.97
Fellowship of the Concerned		387.37	387.37
Loan Payable - Dr. George S. Mitchell		200.00	200.00
Press Clippings		190.70	190.70
Meetings and Luncheons		159.81	162.81
Note - Citizens Trust Company		150.00	150.00
Audit		135.00	135.00
Books and Magazine Subscriptions		67.20	82.40
Returned Checks		10.50	10.50
Cash Shortage		10.00	10.00
Bank Charges & Exchange		9.70	9.80
Insurance		9.00	9.00
Miscellaneous Literature Refunds		6.00	6.00
Special Services		5.00	5.00
Repairs		3.50	3.50
Corporate Registration Fee		1.00	1.00
Interest Expense		75.50	75.50
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		36,872.36	39,094.20

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
SCHEDULE OF LIABILITIES

December 15, 1950

Stein Printing Company	$623.65	
Clipping Service 28.3	28.30	
Elliott's Addressing Machine Company	11.27	
Gershon Printing	98.15	
Telegraph	1.63	
Pitney Bowes	21.78	
Dictating Machine Service	11.88	
F. G. Bernal Company	5.20	
Office Supply Company	2.25	
Tidwell Company	2.35	
Senior Fluorescent	10.50	
Henry Birnbrey	60.00	
Columbia Ribbon and Carbon	25.65	
Milton-Jones Company	19.00	$921.71
Travel:		
W.W. Alexander	67.00	
Rabbi Charles Mantinband	35.00	
Paul Williams	75.77	
A.W. Dent	63.48	
R. D. Wellons	48.00	
Mrs. Helen Cohn	63.48	
George S. Mitchell	72.87	
J. H. Dabbs	20.90	446.50
State Divisions:		
Alabama	41.00	
Arkansas	8.00	
Florida	21.00	
Kentucky	6.50	
Louisiana	1.50	
Mississippi	59.00	
North Carolina	35.00	
South Carolina	12.50	
Tennessee	12.50	197.00
Salaries:		
George S. Mitchell	625.00	
Harold C. Fleming	158.33	
Norma Huff	133.33	916.66
Thomas F. Byrd		6,000.00
George S. Mitchell, Loan and Interest		1,500.00
TOTAL		$9,981.87

50 for '51

December 15, 1950

Alabama	- 4
Arkansas	- 0
Florida	- 0
Georgia	- 7
Kentucky	- 2
Louisiana	- 1
Mississippi	- 18
North Carolina	- 5
Oklahoma	- 0
South Carolina	- 8
Tennessee	- 1
Texas	- 2
Virginia	- 4
Out of South	- 15

Grand total: 67.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
PROPOSED BUDGET - 1951

Estimated Expenses			Estimated Income		
Main Program			**Recurring**		
	23,500		Dues net to Atlanta	6,000	
Salaries	~~21,550~~		Sale of literature	2,000	
Travel	4,100		Church Contributions	4,000	
Office Supplies	1,300		Family funds	650	
Postage	900		Misc. small contributions	500	13,150
Printing	1,300				
Rent	1,460				
Telephone & Telegraph	750				
Books and subscriptions	100				
Audit	100	31,560			
Self-surveys			**Self-surveys**		
Salaries	1,300		Conditional grant made for 1951	1,000	
Travel	400		Expected matching gift	500	
Printing	500		Expected printing contribution	500	2,000
Postage	100				
Supplies	100				
Rent	100	2,500			
Fellowship of the Concerned			**Fellowship of the Concerned**		
			Balance available, 1951		200
Salaries	300				
Postage	300				
Supplies	100	700			
Tenancy Pamphlet			**Tenancy Pamphlet**		
			Promised by National Sharecroppers Fund	1,500	
Salaries	1,000				
Printing	500	1,500			
TOTAL EXPENSES		$ 36,260	Total foreseeable income		16,850

Notes:

Additional means which seem probable:			Plus carry-over of any accrued debt from 1950, say	15,210
Recurring large gifts	2,000			- 1,000
Trade Unions	1,000			16,210
Small Foundations	1,200		Plus "funded" debt	7,500
Total Probable Income		4,200	Possible total debt at end of 1951	23,710
Total Foreseeable Income		16,850	Against this, hard work might raise from foundations 8,000 leaving 15,710 to be found, mainly through 50 for 51.	
Total		21,050		
Expenses 1951	36,260			
Less above	- 21,050			
Possible 1951 deficit	15,210			

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

SRC Board Minutes

January 15, 1948

Dear Board Member:

Attached are the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors for November 11 and 12.

We regret extremely that illness in the office has prevented our getting these to you at an earlier date.

Sincerely,

Agnes McKoy

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Directors
November 11, 1947

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Paul D. Williams, President, at 2:00 P. M., on November 11, in the Conference Room at Atlanta University. Msgr. T. James McNamara was asked to lead in prayer. The following were present:

Dr. Will W. Alexander
Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames
Miss Emily H. Clay
Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Dr. Clark B. Foreman
Mr. John A. Griffin
Mr. Leonard Haas
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Mrs. Henry Havens
Mr. J. R. Henderson
Mr. Cyrus M. Johnson
Dr. Benjamin E. Mays
Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Msgr. T. James McNamara
Dr. George S. Mitchell
Dr. N. C. Newbold
Mr. C. H. Parrish, Jr.
Mr. J. G. Pollard, Jr.
Mr. Edgar Ray
Dr. J. W. Seabrook
Mr. Philip Shulhafer
Mrs. Eugene Spearman
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Dr. Harold L. Trigg
Mr. J. M. Tydings
Miss Josephine Wilkins
Mr. Paul D. Williams
Mr. M. A. Wright
Dr. Forrester B. Washington
Mrs. Warren T. Zeuch

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Chairman presented the suggested agenda for the meeting.

On motion made by Mr. Marion A. Wright and duly seconded,

1. IT WAS VOTED that the suggested agenda be adopted.

On motion made by Miss Josephine Wilkins and duly seconded,

2. IT WAS VOTED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Board be approved without being read, as copies had been sent out to all members of the Board.

Miss Josephine Wilkins, taking the place of Dr. Charles S. Johnson, read a consolidation of the minutes of the four meetings of the Executive Committee that had taken place during the past year.

On motion made by Mr. Marion A. Wright and duly seconded,

3. IT WAS VOTED that the Board receive the information given by Miss Wilkins.

Miss Wilkins stated that she felt it advisable to include in the report of the meetings of the Executive Committee such things as attendance at meeting, "feel" of meetings, and list of those in attendance, rather than summaries of actions taken. Mr. Williams, commenting on the excellent spirit of the Executive Meetings during the past year, stated that the members had met in dead earnest to carry out the work of the SRC. He remarked that there had been great difficulty in replacing the excellent qualities of those former SRC officers who had resigned.

FINANCES

Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary-Treasurer, read the treasurer's report covering receipts and expenditures for 1947. (See Copy attached)

Mr. Philip Shulhafer raised a question on what had happened to make the salary schedule for 1947 more than that estimated for the 1948 budget. Mrs. McKoy stated that the staff has been cut, which would make up the difference. Mr. Williams mentioned that the matter of raising staff salaries had come up in the Executive Committee meeting. He stated that the Council regrets the low salaries paid to the staff, in the lower income brackets.

Mrs. McKoy stated that in drawing up the budget, an effort was made to estimate the total amount of resources and costs as accurately as possible. Miss Wilkins requested an exact account of outstanding bills.

On motion made by Dr. B. E. Mays and duly seconded,

4. IT WAS VOTED that the treasurer's report be accepted.

REMARKS BY PRESIDENT WILLIAMS

Mr. Williams stated that it had long been the aim of the Council to appoint one-hundred fairly young Southerners to serve as a type of minute

men to the SRC. Last year, he said, the Fellows who had been appointed in line with this plan met on the day following the Annual Meeting. That meeting of the Fellows had been made possible by a special grant from the General Education Board. Mr. Williams told the Board that due to the enthusiasm of this group of Fellows, he felt that this project should be continued and expanded. He expressed a desire to bring the Fellows together in sub-regional meetings so that they might have a chance to exchange ideas which might be taken back to the field where they are working quietly, and thus help to bring about the things that the Council believes in. In reviewing his activities for the year, the President said that he had been working to secure grants of money from major organizations. In line with this, he told the Board that in answer to inquiries regarding the tax status of the Council, The Treasury Department has verified that this organization is entitled to tax exemption. Mr. Williams estimated, for the benefit of his successors, that he had given a total of between four and five weeks' time to the work of the Council during the past year. He said that he had devoted himself to doing positive things rather than making speeches and carrying on routine affairs, and he closed his remarks with the statement: "Even though we are not satisfied with everything we have done to make the SRC go on, we have had a very successful year, and we hope we have made a good average in satisfying everyone with the activities of the officers."

1947 ACTIVITIES

In reviewing the Council's activities for 1947, Dr. Mitchell pointed to a 47 per cent membership gain in 1947, emphasizing, however, that the chief need of the Council is activity and not indiscriminate membership. He reported that Veterans Services had been discontinued early in 1947. The Council publications for the year included two quarterly pamphlets, with four more in

process; while publication of the New South had been continued, with a circulation of about 4,500.

Dr. Hancock, referring to the pamphlets published by SRC, wondered what success had been made in getting them into the hands of the people. Dr. Mitchell requested all who were present to try to sell the pamphlets now on hand. He suggested that members go to college professors and try to get this material fitted into the regular college courses.

There was a feeling of regret in the discussion of the veterans program that the Council was unable to keep someone on the staff to look into the Veterans Administration and the various discriminations against the Negro veteran. Dr. Mitchell reported that there remained much to be done in this regard, but due to the lack of finances, that part of the Council's activities had to be curtailed. It was brought up that if the Council put the information regarding discriminations into the hands of the press and applied personal pressure to newspaper editors, the matter could be spotlighted and brought before the people.

Further discussion revealed that a regrettable pattern had been set up of not employing Negroes into the Veterans Administration.

Dr. Alexander suggested that a motion be drawn up and presented to the Annual Meeting suggesting that a committee from the Council be appointed to ask for an audience with the President, General Bradley, and the Veterans Administration leaders, outlining the discrimination policies practiced by the Veterans Administration, and that copies of the motion be sent to ranking officials in various fields.

Mr. Williams appointed Mr. Newbold and Mr. Tydings as the committee for drawing up the motion for presentation to the members.

ACTION ON PROPOSED AGENDA AND RULES FOR ANNUAL MEETING

The proposed rules and agenda for the Annual Meeting were presented for the approval of the Board.

On motion made by Miss Josephine Wilkins and duly seconded,

5. IT WAS VOTED that the Board recommend to the members that they accept the proposed agenda as drawn up.

On motion made by Mr. Ray and duly seconded,

6. IT WAS VOTED that the Board recommend to the members adoption of rules as follows, ammended to allow each speaker two minutes.

    1. No member may speak more than two minutes until all wishing to be heard have spoken, unless so authorized by majority vote of the body.
    2. Speakers to state name and State.
    3. All resolutions shall be in the hands of a member of the Resolutions Committee by noon.

ACTION ON PROPOSED 1948 PROGRAM

Mr. Mitchell reviewed the activities which he proposes for the staff in 1948 under the budget before the membership. He recommended continued publication of the Council's magazine, New South; the issuance of pamphlets now nearly completed to measure the standard of the several Southern states in housing, voting, social security benefits, and care of the mentally subnormal. In addition, he stated that the guidance of the membership should be asked as to which two or three further pamphlets should be issued from a list read to the Board and to be read to the membership.

He proposed continued activity in the formation of State Divisions of the Council; and in further recruitment of membership; and commented on the possibility of setting up a radio forum. A regular radio program would greatly assist the Council.

Mr. Forrester Washington said that the basic problem of segregation should not be forgotten, and he also recommended that the pamphlet on police administration, already started, should be completed in the 1948 program.

Mr. Clark Foreman suggested that a follow-up be made on the Report of the President's Committee on Civil Rights, giving it prime emphasis in the ensuing year's program.

Mrs. Spearman thought that a technique of strategy which would outflank the situation was to be favored over a direct assault against segregation. We can gain the victory in a shorter time with less human misery and chaos by emphasizing the common needs of the South and carrying on the work we are doing. We should not hesitate to take a full step whenever possible, she said.

Mr. Washington emphasized that along with the regular program, there should be the anti-discrimination stand always adhered to. He requested the Council to give further publicity to the segregation study by Dr. Reid.

Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton spoke in support of pamphlet material which would focus attention on the segregation problem.

On motion made by Dr. Alexander and duly seconded,

7. IT WAS VOTED that a committee of the Board be appointed to go into the whole matter of segregation and the type of statement that could be made on the costs, injustices, and suggested improvements, with the consultation of Dr. Reid; and that the committee estimate the cost of such a publication.

Dr. Clements read a motion which had been drawn up in the morning session to be presented to the membership meeting.

"We commend the President for having the foresight to appoint the Civil Rights Commission, and the Committee for its fairmindedness and its great effort to get at the facts and present them in an impartial manner. We commend the report to a serious study of each citizen in the South and in the Nation."

On motion made by Miss Josephine Wilkins and duly seconded,

8. IT WAS VOTED that the above proposal be approved for presentation to the membership meeting.

On motion made by Miss Josephine Wilkins and duly seconded,

9. IT WAS VOTED that the recommendations of the Executive Committee for confirmation or rejection of executive officers be taken up at the Board Meeting held immediately after the Annual Meeting.

Arrangements were made for the Nominating Committee and the Resoltuions Committee to meet immediately after the adjournement of the Board Meeting.

Mr. Williams read a letter dated September 7, 1947, which he had received from Frank W. Spencer asking that the Council accept his resignation as Vice-President.

On motion made by Miss Wilkins and duly seconded,

10. IT WAS VOTED that the resignation of Mr. Spencer be accepted with regrets.

It was decided that the question of the deficit in the budget be brought before the membership. There was discussion as to sources of funds when present grants were no longer available.

Dr. Alexander stated that the discouraging thing is that the Council does not get enough money out of the South, and that the Council should be concerned with how the members can get more money from the South. By doing this, the Council makes it easier for the Finance Committee to get further grants from foundations.

Mr. Williams appointed the Nominating Committee as follows:

Dr. Alexander, Chairman
Dr. Forrester Washington
Msgr. T. James McNamara
Mrs. Warren Zeuch
Dr. Gordon B. Hancock

And the Resolutions Committee as follows:

Mr. J. M. Tydings, Chairman
Mr. Edgar Ray
Mrs. G. T. Hamilton
Mr. J. A. Griffin

Dr. Mitchell stated that a Board Meeting would be held immediately following the Annual Meeting and that this would include the new board members elected by the membership.

Mr. Williams read a motion drawn up in the Executive Committee session which recommended a change in the by-laws in order that an additional vice-president could be appointed and be allowed to serve on the Executive Committee.

> "It was voted to recommend the ammendment of the by-laws by striking out the word "three" in Article 5, Section I, appearing before the words "Vice-Presidents", and substituting the word "the."

On motion made by Dr. Alexander and duly seconded,

11. IT WAS VOTED that the recommendation be approved to be presented along with the favorable recommendations of the Board to the membership meeting.

Mr. Ray proposed the setting up of standing committees along the lines of the particular talents of the members of the Board. This was agreed upon by other members who stated that this would utilize the numerous talents that are available in the Board.

On motion made by Dr. Alexander and duly seconded,

12. IT WAS VOTED that the matter of standing committees, as discussed above, be recommended to the Executive Committee through the membership meeting, with the instruction that the Executive Committee shall study the program and personnel of this body and create appropriate standing committees to work constantly with the staff and on the program.

Mrs. Henry Havens recommended the Spartanburg County Plan to the study of the Finance Committee as an excellent method of raising funds.

Mr. Ray remarked that there remained a great job to be done on the local and State level that so far had been untouched by the Council. He stated that there were more members in Florida than in any other State; the reason for this being that this State had put on a program for membership. The whole problem is to take closed minds and open them up--the way to do this is on the local level. We need to think a great deal about membership as a bulwark to get into the foundations which can give money to the organization. He

emphasized the importance of a permanent membership committee and pointed out the need for more field workers. In Florida, he said, field workers have been put on and have more than paid for themselves in their accomplishments. If we don't open the minds on a local level, through the press, we can throw the publications in the waste basket for all the good they do.

Miss Wilkins proposed that the business of confirming or electing members of the Executive Committee, and any or all members on the Committee, according to the by-laws, be taken up in the Board meeting following the Annual Meeting. This was agreed upon by the members.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted,

Agnes McKoy

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

JANUARY 1, 1947 TO OCTOBER 31, 1947

RECEIPTS

BALANCE IN BANK 1-1-47		538.58
Julius Rosenwald Fund	$35,000.00	
General Education Board	8,000.00	
Esther Morton Smith Estate	1,390.74	
Women's Div. Christian Service	1,000.00	
Edgar Stern Family Fund	250.00	
Phelps Stokes Fund	200.00	
Ashby Jones Fund	100.00	
Board of Ed. Methodist Church	250.00	
Div. of Home Missions	1,000.00	
Misc. Church Groups	150.00	
Fla. State Division	886.50	
Miss. State Division	136.50	
S. C. State Division	1,070.50	
Ky. State Division	94.80	
Membership Dues	2,208.70	
Membership Contributions	736.65	
New South Publication	569.00	
Misc. Literature	1,402.38	
Royalties	12.80	
Geo. Mitchell, Lectures	25.75	
Refunds:		
Salaries, Ga. Commission	91.10	
Travel	309.37	
Telephone and Telegraph	8.52	
Office Supplies	52.98	
Postage and Express	34.81	
Books and Subscriptions	4.40	
Veterans' Service, Unused Funds	485.36	
Withholding Taxes	4,123.98	
Loan - Citizens Trust Co.	1,500.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		61,094.84
TOTAL		$61,633.42

DISBURSEMENTS

Repayment of Loans - Citizens Trust Co.	$2,500.00	
Withholding Taxes	3,796.98	
Florida State Division	1,030.96	
South Carolina State Division	1,061.50	
Miss. State Division	132.50	
Kentucky State Division	82.30	
Salaries	33,603.71	
Conference Travel	5,358.75	
Rent	1,475.00	
Telephone and Telegraph	662.68	
Office Supplies and Expense	913.80	
Office Equipment and Maintenance	499.26	
Postage and Express	1,256.84	
Printing and Literature	4,556.59	
Books and Subscriptions	221.16	
Veterans' Service	2,700.00	
Research and Special Service	233.80	
Conference on Human Rights	327.32	
Clipping Service	117.87	
Interest on Loans	29.00	
Exchange and Bank Service Charges	8.89	
Refunds on Literature	5.50	
Misc. Expense	185.57	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		$60,759.98
Bank Balances, October 31, 1947:		
First National Bank		335.00
Citizens' Trust Co.		538.44
TOTAL		$ 61,633.42

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

ESTIMATED BUDGET 1948

1. Based on Present Staff and Activities

Salaries	$34,460.00
Travel and maintenance (including Board of Directors and Executive Committee)	6,000.00
Rent	1,560.00
Telephone and Telegraph	700.00
Office Supplies and equipment	1,500.00
Postage and Express	2,000.00
Printing - New South and Pamphlets	6,000.00
Books, Subscriptions, Clippings	300.00
Return of Dues to State Divisions	2,000.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
	$54,770.00

SIGHT FOR 1948

Julius Rosenwald Fund	$25,000.00
General Education Board	6,000.00
Women's Div. of Christian Service Methodist Church	1,000.00
Board of Missions and Church Extensions Methodist Church	1,000.00
Board of Education, Methodist Church	250.00
Phelps-Stokes Fund	200.00
Catholic Committee of the South	150.00
Various Conferences, Women's Division Christian Service, of the Methodist Church	100.00
Province of Sewanee, Protestant Episcopal Church	100.00
Ashby Jones Memorial Fund	100.00
Committee on Women's Work, Presbyterian Church	25.00
Women's Auxiliary, Synod of Virginia Presbyterian Church	25.00
Literature - sales	1,600.00
Subscriptions to New South	600.00
Membership Dues	6,000.00
Membership Contributions	450.00
	$42,600.00

APPARENT DEFICIT	$12,170.00

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF ESTIMATED INCOME AND EXPENSES

JANUARY 1, 1947 TO DECEMBER 31, 1947

Balance in Bank January 1, 1947		$ 538.58
Actual Receipts 1/1/47 - 10/31/47	$61,094.84	
Est. Receipts 11/1/47 - 12/31/47	500.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		$61,594.84
TOTAL		$62,133.42

Disbursements:

Actual Disbursements 1/1/47 - 10/31/47		$60,759.98
Est. Disbursements 11/1/47 - 12/31/47		
Net Salaries	$4,042.84 1/	
Rent	260.00	
Annual Meeting	1,000.00	
Telephone	80.00	
Travel, etc.	617.16	6,000.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		$66,759.98
ESTIMATED DEFICIT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1947		4,626.56 2/
TOTAL		$62,133.42

1/ Excludes withholding tax of $959.20 which will be due in January 1948. This amount was carried over due to the deficit in the operating funds of the Council.

2/ With inclusion of withholding tax, amounts to $5,585.76.

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.

ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

Memo of GSM - sent to the Board in advance of the meeting

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

October 29, 1948

TO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

The meeting of the Board of Directors on November 12, 1947, laid upon the Executive Committee a duty to report to the members of the Board a month before the next Board meeting as to a program for 1949 and a budget for that program.

The meeting of the Executive Committee September 15, 1948, had before it a program for 1949 and a budget. It considered the program and expressed no disapproval. It considered the budget and deplored the state of our finances and then, with the finance committee, spent several hours trying to devise ways to get more money.

Your executive director failed to request of the executive committee formal approval or disapproval of the program. In loyalty to the resolution of the November 12, 1947, Board meeting, the executive director, therefore, lays before the Board a 1949 program pretty much as presented to the executive committee early in September for its September 15 meeting. This is as follows:

NEXT YEAR'S PROGRAM

Nineteen forty-nine promises to be a harvest year in plans for Southern betterment. Not only will the civil rights question constantly prompt such plans, but a number of organizations and individuals will be bringing out the results of several past years of work. The Committee of the South will be publishing, between November, 1948 and mid-1949 the results of its elaborate studies on industrial location, farm adjustments, the work of state planning and development agencies, population migration, rural industries, surplus war facilities, and a major work on economic policy for the South. It is also doing work in the fields of urban congestion, agricultural credit, marketing techniques, and vocational education.

The Southern Association of Science and Industry, in conjunction with the University of North Carolina Institute for Social Research has already produced in 1948 two excellent studies respectively on forestry and possibilities for further industrial expansion in the South. Their forthcoming schedule includes studies on developmental research, wildlife resources, soils, natural resources, climate, minerals, recreations, and human resources. These can be expected during 1949.

In the field of State government government, a lengthy report and recommendations on constitutional and legal changes should be available from Mr. Alexander Heard, through a study at the University of Alabama.

The several Universities cooperating in the Bureau of Public Administration studies have issued much material lately. The Resource-Use Education group have useful studies completed and under way, and some of the State Planning Boards are turning out good work. In the field of education, results should be had during 1949 from the Regional Council for Education.

From all these sources it would seem possible to produce in 1949 an inclusive but still simple and understandable plan for the progress of the South in the next several years. It looks as though a fruitful way to clarify the planning would be to divide the Southeast and the Southwest respectively into their appropriate sub-regions, bringing out for the sub-regions, and for the States which include portions of each sub-region, strong pointers toward what to do next. We could also link the indicated changes in industry and farming with suitable recommendations for changes in state and local government.

The Council is built on the idea that a small staff should be kept constantly at work mapping future steps in progress, and that a widely scattered membership, appropriately organized locally, would busy itself with following through and producing the changes needed.

What is proposed, therefore, is that the backbone of 1949's work would be the production of understandable, clear planning materials for the South and that we urge our state and local committees to follow through with educational and positive action to get the changes going.

We have two or three proposed pamphlets in the cook which, in ordinary course, would see print sometime early in 1949. These are, respectively, (1) an appraisal of the Social Security System as it affects the South, with recommendations for changes; (2) a review of legislation in the field of farm tenure, and recommendations for state action to protect and improve the status of tenants of agricultural land; and (3) possibly a manual straightening out the South on the

disputed idea of an FEPC. Two and maybe three of these could be fitted into a general plan. But I am inclined to think that the work already done on them should bear fruit in the issuance of separate pamphlets.

On the matter of a general plan, the Council has been promised the non-salaried help of Mr. Charles M. Smith of Arlington, Virginia. As some of the members of the Committee know, he has long collected material toward a plan for the South and, by reason of his ready access to published governmental material, could help us greatly in getting a general plan shaken down into manageable and seeable size. He is willing to serve in this capacity full-time without salary, though the Council has offered to cover his necessary travel expenses and purchase of books and pamphlets.*

The work program forecast, then, for 1949 would be, in summary, the production of popular planning material and the urging of local education on it and follow-up on it by our scattered Southern membership. In addition to that, we would continue to get out New South, in so far as possible making each monthly issue timely in its praise of achievement or description of shortcoming.

In addition, we will continue to try to strengthen State Divisions and to add active state organizations in Louisiana, Oklahoma and Arkansas, where we are at present thinly represented.

We are well equipped from 1948's work to continue to press an influential campaign in the South about civil rights. Our Digest of the Report of the President's Committee is still in print and is still selling. We also have our pamphlet on "The Condition of Our Rights." These two fit together and are an effective team in obtaining ready and sympathetic discussion by local groups of the need for better enforcement of existing rights and a broadening of the concept and law on human and civil rights in the South.

Other pamphlets which the Council expects to get in print before the end of 1948 will provide a basis for action in the fields of improved practices by Southern newspapers in handling race in the news (work under way by Mr. Calvin Kytle), and in the small community self-survey (work nearly completed by Miss Margaret Price). With

* Mr. Smith has actually been at work under this arrangement full-time since September 1, 1948. His material looks promising.
G.S.M.

these, and our other offerings, we would continue to press the Council's broad educational movement. The community self-survey method should be particularly helpful in getting education and planning down to the grass roots.

On the sharply limited budget at present foreseeable for 1949, this is the most that the Council could do.

BUDGET -- 1949

As regards a budget, the following was presented to the Executive Committee:

For 1949 we can legitimately expect income of $34,900.00 made up of $25,000.00 on hand from the Rosenwald Fund, and other amounts of $9,900.00, of which $2,000.00 is from sale of literature and $3,850.00 is from membership dues and contributions. We can hope in 1949 to increase the income from sale of literature, and it is probable that by raising dues we could step up the receipts from membership dues by a thousand dollars or so.

The $3,850.00 of expected income for 1949 from membership dues and contributions would be exclusive of dues and contributions received for and transmitted to State Divisions. A total of $2,696.90 in dues and contributions was received last year for State Divisions and returned to them as follows: Florida, $908.50; Mississippi, $431.10; Alabama, (a new Division) $44.00; South Carolina, $1213.50, and Kentucky, $99.80. 1948 receipts for State Divisions are expected to run somewhat higher than those for 1947.

The only way which offers at present to meet expenses for the remainder of 1948 is to draw upon the $25,000.00 from the Julius Rosenwald Fund held in reserve for 1949.* If that be done, the sum available for 1949 would be diminished by the 12 or 13,000 so drawn in advance, and the 1949 budget would be short by that amount, plus $10,520.39, the difference now forecast between 1949 revenue and expenses. Unless the 1948 deficit is covered during 1948, we would face at the end of 1949 a total deficit of $23,520.39.

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* The Executive Committee left this sum intact and authorized the borrowing of up to $5,000 to cover the period from September 15 to the membership meeting November 10. Under this authority, the Council has borrowed $5,000.

The officers and staff have some plans for raising additional funds, both in 1948 and 1949 and subsequent years, but we can do no more than hope that our several appeals will be successful.

Quite outside the budget, the staff would wish funds for a number of other projects, chief among them the matter of building the facts and opinion which could launch in the South one or more police training academies. We have estimated the total cost of a worthwhile effort in this direction at $37,500, which would be spent over a twenty-four months period.

The budget forecase for 1949 would employ:

One Executive Director
One Secretary-Treasurer
One Director of Information
One full-time Field Representative
One half-time Field Representative
One Senior Stenographer
One combination Research Assistant and Membership Supervisor
One Junior Stenographer and Order Clerk
One Mailing and Shipping Clerk
One part-time Clerk

In addition, we would have the help of our three-man advisory committee, meeting weekly.

We cannot, on this budget, do the planning job that is the backbone of our 1949 program except on the continued assumption of Charles Smith's serving without salary, and we should safeguard that point by an offer of a proper salary for his work.

DEFICITS

It will be remembered that at the end of 1947 the Council had a deficit of $5,022.34. This would have been larger except for the pledges which were made at the 1947 Annual Meeting, totaling $1,350.00. Collections of pledges have amounted to $948.00. Thus we have during 1948 absorbed an absolute 1947 deficit of $5,424.

In 1948, if our forecasts for this year are accurate, we will have incurred a 1948 operating deficit of approximately $8,000.00. The combined deficits of 1947 and 1948 will total $13,000 if outstanding pledges of $402.00 are forthcoming, $13,402.00 if they are not.

INCOME, 1948 and 1949.

Total income to October 31, 1948 is $40,197.29. Anticipated income for rest of 1948 is $1,752.01. The difference between the total estimated expenses for 1948 is the forecast 1948 operating deficit of $8,000.00.

There is attached a review of relative expenses for 1947 and 1948 and estimates for 1949.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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Enclosures

RELATIVE EXPENDITURES 1947 and 1948, and ESTIMATES FOR 1949

EXPENSE	1947	Budget 1948	1948 Thru Aug.31	1948 Yet Needed	1948 Total	1949 Estimate
Salaries	$38,306.33	$36,515.00	$21,357.01	$10,400.00	$31,757.01	$31,400.00
Travel	6,458.72	6,000.00	2,705.63	2,800.00	5,505.63	4,200.00
Telephone and Telegraph	836.04	700.00	596.92	250.00	836.92	840.00
Rent	1,630.00	1,560.00	820.67	520.00	1,340.67	1,560.00
Office Supplies and Expense	1,139.34	750.00	1,182.30	225.00	1,407.30	1,065.29
Special Research	546.30		375.31	200.00	575.31	500.00
Local Advisory Committee			30.00	450.00	480.00	1,560.00
Conference on Human Rights '47						
Conference on Human and Civil Rights '48	327.32		889.12		889.12	
Postage and Express	1,502.50	1,800.00	1,053.04	480.00	1,533.04	1,600.00
Printing of Literature	6,436.64	6,000.00	2,916.96	2,100.00	5,016.96	6,000.00
Books and Subscriptions	276.54	225.00	320.17	100.00	420.17	400.00
Exchange and Bank Charges	9.42		7.83	3.00	10.83	10.00
Clipping Service	148.96	75.00	65.63	50.00	115.63	120.00
Miscellaneous Expense	389.62		28.25	25.00	53.25	50.00
Interest on Bank Loans	66.50		39.17		39.17	
Office Equipment and Repairs	653.30					
Insurance			48.40		48.40	
Audit			150.00		150.00	125.00
TOTAL	$57,291.37	$53,625.00	$32,586.41	$17,603.00	$50,179.41	$49,430.29

SRC- Board of Directors Minutes

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

November 9, 1949

11/9/49

The Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council convened in the Library Building of Atlanta University at 4:00 p.m. on November 9, 1949. The following were present:

Mrs. Jessie D. Ames
Mr. Thomas F. Byrd
Mrs. James Crate
Mr. J. M. Dabbs
Mr. Herbert Davidson
Mr. John A. Griffin
Mr. Leonard Haas
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Dr. Gordon Hancock
Mrs. Henry Havens
Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Rabbi Mantinband
Dr. Benjamin Mays
Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Dr. George S. Mitchell
Father Vincent O'Connell
Dr. C. H. Parrish
Mr. Arthur Raper
Mr. G. D. Rogers
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Mr. J. M. Tydings
Dr. Forrester Washington
Mr. Paul D. Williams
Mr. Marion Wright

The principal business was the election of officers and members of the Executive Committee. Following the recommendation of the chairman of the nominating committee of the Board, Dr. Forrester Washington, the Board elected to the vacancy on the Executive Committee Mr. Marion Wright of South Carolina.

Upon the further nomination of the chairman of the nominating committee, the present officers of the Council were continued for the coming year, as follows:

President: Paul D. Williams, Richmond, Virginia
First Vice-President: John H. Wheeler, Durham, N. C.
Second Vice-President: Guy B. Johnson, Chapel Hill, N. C.
Third Vice-President: Carter Wesley, Houston, Texas
Fourth Vice-President: Harold L. Trigg, Raleigh, N. C.

In discussion led by Mr. John Griffin and Mr. Herbert Davidson as to increasing the membership, it was suggested that in distributing the next issue of New South, each member be requested to find two additional members for the Council.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Agnes McKoy, Secretary

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Southern Regional Council, 63 Auburn Ave., Atlanta, Ga. Wa. 7963

5:30 P. M.

March 31, 1950

NIGHT LETTER

By action Executive Committee today, board called to meet Atlanta Saturday, April twenty-second. Council life hangs in balance for relatively small amount. While funds lacking for payment travel expense, need of your counsel pressing. Earnestly urge you make any sacrifice nedessary to be present. Letter follows.

Southern Regional Council
Paul Williams, President

March 31, 1950

Send accompanying Night Letter to:

Mr. R. B. Atwood	Pres., Kentucky State College	Frankfort, Ky.
Dr. A. D. Beittel	Pres., Talladega College	Talladega, Ala.
Dr. Charlotte Brown	Pres., Palmer Memorial Institute	Sedalia, N. C.
Mr. Wilson M. Brown	Planters National Bank	Richmond, Va.
Mr. A. T. Butler	1515 Harden Street	Columbia, S. C.
Mr. Hodding Carter	Delta Democrat Times	Greenville, Miss.
Mr. Paul Christopher	216 Flatiron Building	Knoxville, Tenn.
Mr. Felton Clark	Pres., Louisiana Southern University	Baton Rouge, La.
Miss Emily H. Clay	1020 Granada Street	Clearwater, Fla.
Mr. James L. Coker	Sonoco Products Co.	Hartsville, S. C.
Mr. William E. Cole	Dept. Sociology, University of Tennessee	Knoxville, Tenn.
Mr. Donald Comer	Avondale Mills	Birmingham, Ala.
Mrs. James S. Crate	2410 Inwood Avenue	Houston, Texas
Mr. James M. Dabbs	Route #1	Mayesville, S. C.
Mr. Virginius Dabney	Editor, Times-Dispatch	Richmond, Va.
Mr. Herbert Davidson	Editor, Morning Journal	Daytona Beach, Fla.
Dr. A. W. Dent	Pres., Dillard University	New Orleans, La.
Mr. O. D. Duncan	Dept. of Sociology Oklahoma A & M College	Stillwater, Okla.
Mr. J. M. Ellison	Pres., Virginia Union University	Richmond, Virginia
Mr. William W. Gibbs	Ingraham Building	Miami, Florida
Dr. Gordon B. Hancock	Dept. of Sociology, Virginia Union University	Richmond, Va.
Dr. Luther P. Jackson	Department of History Virginia ~~Union~~ State University	Petersburg Richmond, Va.
Rev. D. V. Jemison, D. D.	~~Pres~~ 1603 Lapsley Street	Selma, Ala.
Dr. Charles S. Johnson	Pres., Fisk University	Nashville, Tenn.
Mr. David D. Jones	Pres., Bennett College	Greensboro, N. C.
Rabbi Charles Mantinband	206 North Wood Avenue	Florence, Ala.
Rev. W. H. Marmion	1910 12th Ave. South	Birmingham 5, Ala.
Miss Cassandra Maxwell	721 Russell, N. E.	Orangeburg, S. C.
Mr. E. A. McDowell	Southern Baptist Theological Seminary	Louisville, Kentucky
Mr. Clyde Milner	Pres., Guilford College	Guilford, N. C.
Dr. Alonzo G. Moron	Hampton Institute	Hampton, Va.
Mr. Alfred Mynders	Editor, Chattanooga Times	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Mr. N. C. Newbold	Director of Negro Education State Dept. of Public Instruction	Raleigh, N. C.
Rev. V. J. O'Connell, S.M.	2901 S. Carrolton Ave.	New Orleans, La.
Dr. Howard W. Odum	Dept. of Sociology, University of North Carolina	Chapel Hill, N. C.
Mr. E. W. Palmer	Pres., Kingsport Press	Kingsport, Tenn.

Mr. C. H. Parrish	Louisville Municipal College, Louisville, Ky.
Mr. F. D. Patterson	Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala.
Rt. Rev. E. A. Penick, D.D.	802 Hillsboro Street, Raleigh, N.C.
Mrs. W. H. Ratliff	Methodist Church, Sherard, Mississippi
Mr. Edgar W. Ray	Orlando Morning Sentinel, Orlando, Fla.
Mr. G. D. Rogers	Central Life Insurance Co., Tampa, Fla.
Rev. Leon Russell	Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church, Greenville, N.C.
Rev. H. Brent Schaeffer	1525 Robinson St., Jackson 26, Miss.
Mr. Ch rles Smith	Palmerstone, The Plains, Va.
Miss Florence Sytz	Tulane School of Social Work, New Orleans, La.
Dr. Harold L. Trigg	St. Augustine College, Raleigh, N.C.
Mr. J. M. Tydings	Lincoln Foundation, Lincoln Ridge, Ky.
Mr. R. D. Wellons	Pembroke State College, Pembroke, N.C.
Mr. Carter Wesley	Houston Informer, Houston, Texas
Mr. John H. Wheeler	Mechanics & Farmers Bank, Durham, N.C.
Bishop R. R. Wright, Jr.	Morris Brown College, Atl nta, Ga.
Mr. P. B. Young	Norfolk Journal and Guide, Norfolk, Va.
Mrs. Warren Zeuch	2102 Ponce de Leon Circle, Vero Beach, Fla.

AGENDA

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Board of Directors

April 22, 1950, 10:00 PM

1. Invocation
2. Roll Call
3. Minutes
4. Report of Executive Committee
5. Proposed testimony before Senate Committee on Labor-Management Relations
6. Resolution -- Luther P. Jackson
7. Brief Reports on current activities -- GSM
8. Report of Secretary-Treasurer
9. Discussion of funds and the future of the Council
10. Confirmation of Acting Secretary-Treasurer
11. New Business
12. Adjournment

Board of Directors
Agenda 1950

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

November 7, 1950, 10:45

Use

A G E N D A

10:45 Invocation

10:50 Report of the Chairman of the Executive Committee

11:00 On the purpose of the meeting — President Paul D. Williams

11:10 Division into subcommittees

(1) On approaches to interracial understanding through what teachers teach in the schools

(2) On preparedness for stress - local interracial committees

(3) On organization, finance, and publication

12:30 Luncheon

1:30 Convene as Committee of the Whole

John Griffin, presiding

Reports from summarizers (oral)

Discussion - The Pace of Change

2:45 Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

Questions to staff members

George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Mrs. Norma Huff, Secretary-Treasurer
Harold C. Fleming, Director of Information
Mrs. Harold C. Fleming, Director of Research
Mrs. Bertha Johnson, Membership Secretary

3:15 Budget for 1951

4:00 Losses in Board membership

4:30 Adjournment

1:45 Reconvene as a body

1. Oral reports from summarizers

2. Discussion

2:30 Questions to staff members

George S. Mitchell, Executive Director
Mrs. Norma Huff, Secretary-Treasurer
Harold C. Fleming, Director of Information
Mrs. Harold C. Fleming, Director of Research
Mrs. Bertha Johnson, Membership Secretary

3:00 Report of Chairman of Finance Committee

3:20 Budget for 1951

3:40 Report of Resolutions Committee

3:50 Report of Nominations Committee

4:00 Election of new Board members

4:15 Adjournment

Proposed Board Subcommittees

I. On approaches to interracial understanding through what teachers teach in the schools

Mr. Rufus E. Clement
Mr. John A. Griffin
Mr. Benjamin E. Mays
Mr. E. A. McDowell
*Mr. Alonzo G. Moron (B)
Mr. N. C. Newbold
*Mr. Harry V. Richardson (A)
Mr. Philip Shulhafer
Mr. Harold Trigg
Mr. Forrester B. Washington
Mr. R. D. Wellons

II. On preparedness for stress - Local Interracial Committees

Mr. A. D. Beittel
*Mrs. James S. Crate (B)
Mr. Guy B. Johnson
Mr. John Long
*Rabbi Charles Mantinband (A)
Mr. L. D. Milton
Mr. C. H. Parrish
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Bishop R. R. Wright, Jr.

III. On organization, finance, and publications

Mr. Morris Abram
Mr. James M. Dabbs
Mr. Charles Gilman
Mr. Leonard Haas
*Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton (B)
Miss Cassandra Maxwell (Mrs. J.H. Birnie)
Msgr. T. James McNamara
Mr. G. D. Rogers
*Mr. Marion A. Wright (A)

* These persons will be expected to serve as resource people for Discussion Groups (as marked) at tomorrow's membership meeting.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
JANUARY 1, 1950 to OCTOBER 31, 1950

INCOME:		
Contributions (See Exhibit "A")	26,495.78	
Membership Dues	3,791.30	
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature	1,014.73	
Honoraria	618.75	
New South Subscriptions	423.44	
TOTAL INCOME		32,304.00
EXPENSES:		
Salaries	18,235.16	
Fund Raising Fee	6,000.00	
Travel	2,548.48	
Printing - New South & Misc. Lit.	1,712.65	
Office Supplies	1,174.93	
Rent	1,157.00	
Postage	1,035.30	
Telephone & Telegraph	672.59	
Press Clippings	183.00	
Audit	135.00	
Interest	75.50	
Books & Magazine Subscriptions	67.20	
Meetings and Luncheons	15.81	
Miscellaneous	14.50	
Bank Charges	9.70	
Insurance	9.00	
Special Services	5.00	
Returned Checks	2.50	
TOTAL EXPENSES		33,053.32
INCREASE OF DEFICIT		$ 749.32-

Exhibit "A"

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED
JANUARY 1, 1950 to OCTOBER 31, 1950

CHURCH SOURCES:			
Methodist:			
Division of Home Missions	750.00		
Women's Div. of Christian Service, Bd. of Missions	1,000.00		
Board of Education	200.00		
Women's Society of Christian Service:			
Kentucky	25.00		
Mississippi	25.00		
Memphis	25.00		
Tennessee	40.00		
Alabama	10.00		
North Carolina	25.00	2,100.00	
Catholic Sources:			
Catholic Missionary Union	1,000.00		
The Cardinal-Archbishop of Chicago	1,000.00		
Cath. Committee of South	125.00	2,125.00	
American Friends Service Comm.		1,000.00	
Episcopal:			
Women's Auxiliary, Natl. Council, Diocese of Fla.		15.00	
TOTAL CHURCH SOURCES			5,240.00
FOUNDATIONS:			
Phelps-Stokes Fund		1,000.00	
Edgar Stern Family Fund		300.00	
Marshall Field Foundation		2,500.00	
Sigmund Silberman Foundation		250.00	
William C. Whitney Foundation		1,000.00	
TOTAL FOUNDATIONS			5,050.00
OTHER SOURCES:			
Mr. and Mrs. John Hay Whitney		2,000.00	
Anonymous Manufacturer		1,000.00	
United Steelworkers of America-CIO		1,000.00	
Textile Workers Union of America-CIO		500.00	
U.A.W.-CIO		500.00	
South Carolina State Division		15.00	
General Contributions		2,350.06	7,365.06

(Continued)

Exhibit "A"

Schedule of Contributions Continued

STATE EFFORTS:		
Georgia	3,422.50 1/	
South Carolina	1,255.88 3/	
Tennessee	828.00	
Virginia	732.00	
Alabama	536.84	
Texas	495.00	
Louisiana	469.00 2/	
North Carolina	401.00	
Kentucky	285.50	
Mississippi	259.00	
Florida	156.00	8,840.72
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS		26,495.78

1/ includes Abram-Haas Atlanta Emergency Appeal - $1,520.00
2/ includes $300.00 Edgar Stern Family Fund
3/ includes $174.00 South Carolina dues returned to complete pledge

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STATE PLEDGES

	Pledged	Paid
ALABAMA	500.00	536.84
FLORIDA	—	156.00
GEORGIA	2,350.00	3,422.50
KENTUCKY	1,000.00	285.50
LOUISIANA	500.00	469.00
MISSISSIPPI	2,000.00	259.00
NORTH CAROLINA	2,000.00	401.00
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,250.00	1,255.88
TENNESSEE	1,000.00	828.00
TEXAS	500.00	495.00
VIRGINIA	800.00	732.00
TOTALS	11,900.00	8,840.72

Exhibit "B"

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
SCHEDULE OF LIABILITIES
OCTOBER 31, 1950

Thomas F. Byrd		6,000.00
Dr. George S. Mitchell, Loan and Interest		1,575.00
Stein Printing Co.		557.95
State Divisions:		
Alabama	18.00	
Arkansas	1.50	
Florida	7.50	
Kentucky	6.50	
Mississippi	16.50	
North Carolina	18.50	
South Carolina	2.50	
Tennessee	9.00	80.00
Salaries:		
Dr. George S. Mitchell	312.50	
Mrs. Norma Huff	116.66	429.16
Withholding Taxes		191.10
Travel:		
Dr. George S. Mitchell	37.11	
W. W. Alexander	67.00	104.11
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co.		49.16
Gershon Printing Co.		42.00
Clipping Service		28.30
Columbia Ribbon & Carbon Co.		25.65
Dictating Machine Co.		11.88
Milton Jones Co.		9.50
Ivan-Allan-Marshall Co.		6.50
F. G. Bernal Co.		5.20
Elliott's Addressing Machine Co.		3.27
Office Supply Co.		2.25
TOTAL		$ 9,121.03

CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Salaries		18,592.70
Printing - New South & Misc. Literature		3,344.12
Travel		3,229.20
Withholding Taxes		2,481.87
Home Town Self Survey		2,439.08
State Divisions:		
Alabama	157.00	
Arkansas	49.50	
Florida	227.50	
Kentucky	95.00	
Mississippi	156.00	
New Orleans Commission on Interracial Cooperation	137.00	
North Carolina	343.50	
South Carolina	25.00	
Tennessee	131.25	1,321,75
Office Supplies		1,222.46
Rent		1,157.00
Postage		1,063.08
Telephone & Telegraph		675.82
Fellowship of the Concerned		387.37
Loan Payable - Dr. George S. Mitchell		200.00
Press Clippings		190.70
Meetings and Luncheons		159.81
Note - Citizens Trust Company		150.00
Audit		135.00
Books and Magazine Subscriptions		67.20
Returned Checks		10.50
Cash Shortage		10.00
Bank Charges & Exchange		9.70
Insurance		9.00
Miscellaneous Literature Refunds		6.00
Special Services		5.00
Repairs		3.50
Corporate Registration Fee		1.00
Interest Expense		.50
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		36,872.36
BALANCE IN BANKS		1,331.09
TOTAL		$ 38,203.45

Post-Membership Meeting
1950

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

November 8, 1950, 4:30-5:00

A G E N D A

4:30 Convene

4:35 Report of Committee on Nominations to Membership on the Executive Committee, and on officers of the Council

4:45 Elections

4:55 Other business

5:00 Adjournment

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL — May 7, 1951

Mr. Morris B. Abram	Healey Building	Atlanta, Ga.
Dr. Will W. Alexander	New Hope Farm, RFD #3	Chapel Hill, N. C.
Dr. A. D. Beittel	Pres., Talladega College	Talladega, Ala.
Mrs. Cassandra Maxwell Birnie	721 Russell, N.E.	Orangeburg, S. C.
Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown	Pres., Palmer Memorial Institute	Sedalia, N. C.
Mr. Wilson M. Brown	V-P., State Planters Bank & Trust Co.	Richmond 14, Va.
Mr. A. T. Butler	1719 Taylor Street	Columbia, S. C.
Mr. Hodding Carter	504 Arnold Avenue	Greenville, Miss.
Mr. Paul R. Christopher	216 Flatiron Building	Knoxville, Tenn.
Rev. George E. Clary	626 Maupas Avenue	Savannah, Ga.
Dr. Rufus E. Clement	Pres., Atlanta University	Atlanta, Ga.
Mr. James L. Coker	Pres., Sonoco Products Company	Hartsville, S. C.
Mrs. James S. Crate	2410 Inwood Avenue	Houston, Tex.
Mr. James M. Dabbs	Route #1	Mayesville, S. C.
Mr. Virginius Dabney	Editor, Times-Dispatch	Richmond, Va.
Mr. Herbert Davidson	Editor, Morning Journal	Daytona Beach, Fla.
Dr. A. W. Dent	Pres., Dillard University	New Orleans, La.
Mr. O. D. Duncan	Dept. Sociology, Okla. A & M College	Stillwater, Okla.
Mr. J. M. Ellison	Pres., Virginia Union University	Richmond, Va.
Mr. William W. Gibbs	815 Ingraham Building	Miami 32, Fla.
Mr. C. H. Gillman	72 Fairlie Street, N.W.	Atlanta, Ga.
Mr. John A. Griffin	Emory University	Emory University, Ga.
Mr. Leonard Haas	Haas-Howell Building	Atlanta, Ga.
Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton	Exec. Sec., Atlanta Urban League	Atlanta, Ga.
Dr. Gordon B. Hancock	Virginia Union University	Richmond, Va.
Rev. D. Swan Haworth	First Baptist Church	Vicksburg, Miss.
Dr. Charles S. Johnson	Pres., Fisk University	Nashville, Tenn.
Dr. Guy B. Johnson	Dept. of Sociology, Univ. of N. C.	Chapel Hill, N. C.
Rev. John Long	Pres., Southern Christian Institute	Edwards, Miss.
Rabbi Charles Mantinband	206 North Wood Avenue	Florence, Ala.
Mr. Armand May	American Associated Companies	Atlanta, Ga.
Dr. Benjamin E. Mays	Pres., Morehouse College	Atlanta, Ga.
Mr. E. A. McDowell	Southern Baptist Theological Seminary	Louisville, Ky.
Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. J. McNamara	222 East Harris Street	Savannah, Ga.
Mr. Clyde Milner	Pres., Guilford College	Guilford, N. C.
Mr. Lorimer D. Milton	Pres., Citizens Trust Company	Atlanta, Ga.
Mr. Arthur W. Mitchell	Box 670	Petersburg, Va.
Dr. George S. Mitchell	Southern Regional Council	Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop Arthur J. Moore	Wesley Memorial Building	Atlanta, Ga.
Dr. Alonzo G. Moron	Pres., Hampton Institute	Hampton, Va.
Mr. Alfred Mynders	Editor, Chattanooga Times	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Dr. N. C. Newbold	129 West Park Drive	Raleigh, N. C.
Rev. V. J. O'Connell, S.M.	2901 South Carrollton Avenue	New Orleans, La.
Dr. Howard W. Odum	Dept. of Sociology, Univ. of N. C.	Chapel Hill, N. C.
Mr. E. W. Palmer	Pres., Kingsport Press	Kingsport, Tenn.
Mr. C. H. Parrish	Louisville Municipal College	Louisville, Ky.
Mr. F. D. Patterson	Pres., Tuskegee Institute	Tuskegee Inst., Ala.
Rt. Rev. E. A. Penick, D.D.	Bishop of North Carolina	Raleigh, N. C.
Mr. J. G. Pollard, Jr.	Belle Isle Farm	Somers, Va.
Mr. Glenn W. Rainey	120 Third Street, N.W.	Atlanta, Ga.

Dr. Arthur Raper	Box 72, Rt. 2	Vienna, Va.
Mrs. W. H. Ratliff		Sherard, Miss.
Rev. Harry V. Richardson	Pres., Gammon Theological Seminary	Atlanta, Ga.
Mrs. E. U. Robinson	216 North Washington Avenue	Cookeville, Tenn.
Rev. Leon Russell	Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church	Greenville, N. C.
Mrs. E. H. Spearman	Algene Acres	Newberry, S. C.
Miss Florence Sytz	Tulane School of Social Work	New Orleans, La.
Dr. Harold L. Trigg	Pres., St. Augustine's College	Raleigh, N. C.
Rev. L. J. Twomey, S.J.	Loyola University	New Orleans, La.
Mr. J. M. Tydings	The Lincoln Institute	Lincoln Ridge, Ky.
Dr. Forrester B. Washington	Atlanta Univ. School of Social Work	Atlanta, Ga.
Mr. R. D. Wellons	Pembroke State College	Pembroke, N. C.
Mr. Carter Wesley	Publisher, Houston Informer, Box 3086	Houston, Tex.
Mr. John H. Wheeler	Vice-Pres., Mechanics and Farmers Bank	Durham, N. C.
Rev. W. W. Wilke	2100 Wolfe Street	Little Rock, Ark.
Mr. Paul D. Williams	3320 Gloucester Road	Richmond, Va.
Mr. Marion A. Wright	~~Attorney~~	Linville Falls, N. C.
Bishop R. R. Wright, Jr.	2118 Cross Street	Little Rock, Ark.
Mr. P. B. Young	Publisher, Journal and Guide	Norfolk, Va.
Mrs. Warren Zeuch	850 Royal Palm Place	Vero Beach, Fla.

NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN CASE IT IS DECIDED TO CONTINUE WITH THE PRESENT ~~WORK~~ ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNCIL

The Executive Committee during 1951 has been composed of:

President
Paul Williams

Vice-Presidents
Carter Wesley
Harold Trigg
Guy Johnson
John H. Wheeler

Counsel
Leonard Haas

Additional members
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, class of '51
Gordon Hancock, '51
Msgr. T. J. McNamara, '51
Paul Christopher, '51 (eligible for second term)
Charles S. Johnson, '52
Rufus Clement, '53
Marion A. Wright, '53

Of these, we lose perforce this year Mrs. Hamilton and Msgr. McNamara.

If the by-laws are amended and an additional Vice-Presidency created, Gordon Hancock could be elected to that. Paul Christopher presumably will be nominated for a further term.

We would have three vacancies as elected members to be filled. Those are Mrs. Hamilton, Msgr. McNamara, and Gordon Hancock. These vanancies would have to be filled from among the persons elected to membership on the Board of Directors by the membership meeting December 12, 1951.

The members of the classes of '52, '53, and '54 are as follows:

Class of 1952 (19)

Arkansas
R. R. Wright, Jr.
Florida
Herbert Davidson
Georgia
Morris Abram
Benjamin E. Mays
Harry V. Richardson

Louisiana
V. J. O'Connell
Florence Sytz
Mississippi
D. Swan Haworth
North Carolina
W. W. Alexander
Clyde Milner
N. C. Newbold
Howard W. Odum
R. B. Wellons
Oklahoma
O. D. Duncan
Tennessee
Charles S. Johnson
E. W. Palmer
Virginia
Virginius Dabney
Arthur Raper
P. B. Young

Class of 1953 (21)

Alabama
Charles Mantinband
F. D. Patterson
Florida
Mrs. Warren Zeuch
Georgia
Rufus E. Clement
John A. Griffin
Armand May
Lorimer D. Milton
Glenn W. Rainey
Forrester B. Washington
Kentucky
E. A. McDowell
C. H. Parrish
E. A. Penick
North Carolina
Charlotte Hawkins Brown
Marion A. Wright
South Carolina
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie
A. T. Butler
James L. Coker
Alice N. Spearman
Texas
Carter Wesley
Virginia
Alonzo G. Moron
J. G. Pollard

Class of 1954 (1)

Virginia
Arthur W. Mitchell

Names suggested are:

✓ Rev. V. J. O'Connell, New Orleans
Hugh Brimm, Louisville
Benajmin E. Mays, Atlanta
James L. Coker, Hartsville, S. C.
Mrs. Cassandra M. Birnie, Atlanta
Josephine Wilkins, Atlanta
Morris Abram, Atlanta

BOARD OF DIRECTORS--ATTENDANCE RECORD

	1944			1945			1946		1947		1948		1949		1950		1951 Dec. 11th
Alexander: W.N.	X P	P	P	P	P	P	*	-	P	P	-	P X	-	-	-	-	-
Ames: Mrs. Jessie D.	X P	P	-	P	P	-	X P	P	P	P	-	-	P	P X			
Atwood: R. B.	X -	-	-	-	-	-	X P	P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- X
Beittel: A. D. Ex-Officio										X	-	P	P		P	P	-	P
Bingham: Harry	? Did not accept (Elected 1945 + 1948)																
Bond: Horace M.	P	-	P	P	Resigned			X									
Brav: Stanley	?						P	-	-	Moved out of Reg.							
Bridges: Francis	P	-	-	Resigned				X									
Brown: Dr. Charlotte H.	X -	-	P	P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- X	-	-	-
Brown, Wilson M.	X	P	-	P	-	-	-	-	X -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burnham, Louis	X P	-	P	X -	-	-	X -	-	-	-	-	-	Resigned - moved from region				
Carter, Hodding							X -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clark, Felton							X -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- X
Clay, Miss Emily H.	P	P	P	P	P	P	X P	P	P	P	-	-	-	-	-	-	- X
Clement, Rufus E.	X P	-	-	P	P	P X	P	P	P	P	P	P X	P		P	P	-	P
Clingman, Charles	X -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- X					
Cole, William E.	X -	-	-	-	-	-	X -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P	-	- X
Dabbs, James M.										X	P	P	P	P	P	P	-	P
Dabney, Virginius	X P	-	P	-	P	P	P	P	- -	-	-	- X	-	-	-	-	-
Daniel, R. P.				Elected			X -	-	-	-	P	P	X				
Delpit, Ernest	X P	P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Dropped.							
Dent, A. W.	X -	P	P	P	P	P	-	-	X -	-	-	-	-	-	-	P	P
Duncan, O. D.	X -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- X	-	-	-	-	-
Eason, P. H.									X Resigned								
Foreman, Clark	X -	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	X P	P	-	-	X Moved from Region				
Gilman, Charles	X P	-	-	-	P	P	-	-	X -	-	-	-	-	-	P	-	-
Goode, H. D.	X -	-	-	P	-	-	-	-	-	- Ended							
Gray, Gordon	?			Elected but did not accept													
Griffin, John A.							X P	P	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P
Haas, Leonard Ex-Officio in 1945	X -	P	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	-	P
Hamilton, Mrs. Grace T.	X P	P	P	P	P	P	P	-	X P	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	-	P
Hancock, Gordon B.	X P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	X P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

BOARD OF DIRECTORS — ATTENDANCE RECORD

	1944			1945			1946		1947		1948		1949		1950		1951
Henderson, Jacob R.				X Elected			X	—	P	P	—	P	—	— X			Dec. 11
Herbert, R. B.	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*	Resigned							
Jackson, Luther P.	X	P	P	P	—	P	—	X —	—	—	P	P	—	—	Deceased		
Jackson, Maynard					Elected		X	—	—	—	—	P	—	— X			
Jaffe, Louis I.	X		P	—	—	P	P	X —	—	—	—	—	—	Deceased			
Jemison, D. V.							X		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	— X	
Johnson, Charles S.	X	P	P	—	P	P	P	—	—	—	—	— X	—	—	—	—	—
Johnson, Guy B. Ex-of		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	X —	—	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jones, David D.	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	X —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	— X	
Lee, J. R. E.		P	Deceased														
Looby, Z. A.	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Ended						
Marmion, W. H.										X	—	—	—	—	moved from region		
May, Armand	?				Elected		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Mays, Benjamin E.	X	P	P	P	P	—	P	—	P	P	P	P	X —	P	P	—	P	P	P
McDowell, E. A.	X	—	P	—	P	P	— X	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	—	P	—
McNamara, T. James	X	P	P	P	P	P	P —	P	P	X P	P	P	P	P	—	P	—
Milton, Lorimer D.	X	—	P	—	—	—	— X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mitchell, George S. Ex-of		—	—	P	P	—	—	—	—	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Moore, Arthur J.	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	X —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mynders, Alfred Ex-of								P	P	—	— X	—	P	—	P	—	—
Newbold, N. C.	X	—	—	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	—	P X	—	—	P	P
Odum, Howard W.	X	—	P	P	P	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
O'Hara, Gerald P.	X	P	—	—	—	—	—	X —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	X
Parrish, C. H.							X	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	—	P	—	P
Patterson, F. D.	X	—	—	—	P	—	— X	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	P-(AM)
Paty, Raymond R.	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	X —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	X
Penick, E. A.	?	~~[illegible]~~			~~Elected~~		X	—	—	—	—	—	—	— X	—	—	—
Pollard, Jr. J. G.	X	—	P	—	—	P	P X	P	P	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ratliff, Mrs. W. H.										X	P	P	—	—	—	—	—
Ray, Edgar W.										X P	P	—	—	—	—	—	X
Reddix, Jacob L.	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	— X				
Reid, Ira De A.	X	P	P	P	P	P	P	X —	—	—	—	Ended	moved from Region				

BOARD OF DIRECTORS — ATTENDANCE RECORD

	1944			1945			1946		1947		1948		1949		1950		1951 Dec 11th
Robb, James L.	? p	p	p	p	-	- ?	Resigned X										
Rogers, G. D.	X p	p	p	p	-	- X	p	p	p	p	-	p	p	-	-	-	De Deceased
Russell, R. L.	X p	p	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	p	p	X	Deceased			
Schaeffer, H. Brent Ex-of										X	p	p	-	-	-	-	- X
Seabrook, J. W.						X	p	p	p	p	-	-	Resigned				
Shulhafer, Philip E.	X p	p	p	p	p	p X	X p	p	p	p	-	-	p		-	p	- X
Spearman, Mrs. Alice						X	p	p	p	p	p	p	-	X			p
Staples, T. S.	X -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- End							
Stern, Edgar B.	X -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- X					
Strong, Mrs. A. M. P	X									End		X					
Stuart, J. G.	X -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- End		X					
Syts, Miss Florence	X -	-	p	p	-	-	-	-	-	-	p	p X	-	-	-	-	-
Trigg, Harold L. Ex-of	p	-	-	p	-	-	p	p	p	p X	p	p	-	-	-	p	- p
Tydings, J. M. Ex-of						X	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	-	-
Washington, Forrester B.	X p	p	p	p	p	p X	-	-	p	p	-	p	p	p	-	p	p p
Wesley, Carter Ex-of	-	-	p	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wheeler, John H.	X -	p	-	p	-	-	p	p	X -	-	-	-	-	-	-	p	-
White, Goodrich C.	X -	-	-	p	p	-	X -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X
Wilkins, Miss Josephine	X p	p	p	p	p	p	X p	p	p	p	-	p	-	-	p	-	X
Willcoxon, F. C.	X -	-	-	p	-	-	Resigned X										
Williams, Aubrey	?						p	-	-	-	-	-					
Williams, Paul D. Ex-of							X p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p p
Wright, Marion A.						X	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p p
Young, P. B. Ex-of	p	-	-	p	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X -	-	-	-	-
Zeuch, Mrs. Warren						X	p	p	p	p	p	p	-	-	-	-	-
Crate, Mrs James S. Ex-of													p	p	p	p	p
Davidson, Hubert												X	p	p	-	-	- p
Richardson, Harry V.												X	p	-	-	p	-

X – Date of Election
X – Term Ended
? – No Information

	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
Martinband, Rabbi Charles					X	– P	– P –
O'Connell, Rev. Vincent J., S.M.						P X	P –
Raper, Arthur					X	P	P – –
Butler, A.T.						X	– – –
Christopher, Paul R.						X	P – –
Brinie, Cassandra Maxwell						X	P P –
Ramey, Glenn W.						X	P – P
Cohn, Mrs. Helen ex-of							X P –
Haworth, D. Swan						X	– P P
Abram, Morris						X	P –
Wellons, R.D.						X	– P P
Wright, Bishop R.R. Jr.					X	– –	– P –
Wilke, Rev W.W. Ex-of							X P –
Morón, Alonzo G.						X	– ✱ P –
Long, John							X P –
Smith, Emerson							P
Arthur Mitchell							P P X
Anderson, Charles W. Jr. ?	X	X					
Clary, Rev. G.E. Ex-of ?							
Coker, James L.						X	– – –
Comer, Donald						X	– – X
Ellison, J.M. Ex-of					X	– –	– – –
Jibbs, Wm. W. Ex-of							
Harris, Mrs. Henry	X					Became field Secretary	
Knight, Ryland	X		Moved from region (date ?)				
~~Long, Edward~~ Richards, J. McDowell							
Milner, Clyde					X	– –	– – –
McGill, Ralph ?	✱						
Palmer, E.W.					X	– –	– – –
Preston, Edward M.	X						

	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
Robinson, Mrs E. V.							x
Russell, Rev. Leon Ex-of	?						
Smith, Charles						x –	– x
Spencer, Frank W. Ex-of		x		Resigned			
Tilly, Mrs M E	x	Became field secretary					
Twomey, Rev L. J. (S.J.) Ex-of						x	

GSM's REPORT

I. Subjects covered in New South since the last meeting
   A. Enlarging of democratic practices in government, both in elections and in appointments
      1. Safety of the person
      2. Lynching in new forms
      3. Groveland case
      4. Negro police gains
   B. The Fellowship of the Concerned
   C. The legal issue of segregation in the schools and colleges
   D. Housing
   E. Changes in the cotton South

II. Self-Survey
   A. Publication of manual
      1. Dallas
      2. Shreveport
      3. Other small towns

III. Condition of State Divisions

IV. Further work
   A. Sharecroppers pamphlet hangs fire
   B. Equal justice
   C. Police manual
   D. The schools
      A. The cost and the status
      B. Local option possibilities
   E. Expansion of program
   F. Reorganization
      1. Small Executive Board
      2. Proposed Ford Foundation reorganization
   G. Support without foundations--1952

List for Proposed Nominating Committees for SRC

Committee to nominate members of Board

chairman — Bob. Thompson - Atlanta, Ga.
Nat Welch - Montgomery, Ala.
Art Levin - Atlanta
Ocie Lee Smith - Little Rock, Ark.
Atlanta Church woman - Mrs H B. Sudduth -
Mrs. William Hogue - Houston, Texas
Mrs V. Carter Mason Norfolk, Va -

Committee from Board to nominate Executive Committee

~~Chairman~~ — Cassandra Maxwell Birnie
Glenn Rainey
Morris Abram
A. W. Dent
Harry Richardson
Mrs. Robinson - Cookeville
Dr Charlotte H. Brown - N.C -

Exec. Comm.
3/31/50

Minutes of the Executive Meeting - March 31, 1950.

Met at 10 o'clock in the offices of the Council. Present were:

Alpha-betize

Guy Johnson	Msgr. T. James McNamara
M. A. Wright	Paul Williams
Mrs. Agnes McKoy	Josephie Wilkins
Morris Abram	Harold ~~Wright~~ (~~Should it be~~ H. Fleming?)
Thomas Byrd	Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Dr. George Mitchell	Mrs. Norma Huff
Leonard Haas	

Hanging

The meeting was called to order by _____. Invocation was given by Msgr. McNamara. Roll call by Mrs. McKoy.

Something is awry about the reading of the minutes.
See original rough draft which BR has.

It was agreed that the minutes did not contain these three actions and therefore it was agreed by the Committee that the minutes be changed to read in this manner.

Memorandum to the Executive Committee in regard to dues.

Discussion and exploration of _____ copies of memorandu,m passed to each member of the Ex. Comm. Memorandum read by Dr. Mitchell.

Discussion regarding the N. C. situati n.

_____ and action (office here) and _____ Chapter organization out in the states. Work for day when we have (paid) (treasurers) _____.

We depend on the state chapters and they get the money.

(Classified) memberships have always helped. So frame letter _____. What are their views and wishes? Please let us know.

Mr. Williams: If they wish to make a draft, should be ~~very~~ polite.

Msgr. McNamara, moved, seconded by Mr. Wright, that we answer the memorandum. Letter from Mrs. Ames read by Dr. Mitchell.

Mr. Williams: We assume that we are continuing the work of the old Interracial Commission.

Mrs. Tilly said she knew the Georgia Committee's responsibility for Negro police.

Mr. Haas moved the Board accept Mrs. Ames' resignation. He said he thought it was a fair statement.

Mr. Williams thinks we should write her. This was agreed to by Msgr. McNamara and Dr. Mitchell.

We helped get Negro police story. It was an effort to get some money.

Mr. Fleming: Our claims are getting notice, and have been in the past.

Mr. Williams: So long as progress is being made, other organizations don't object to what we are claiming in this story. Point out that this story was written by a newspaper man.

Action of the Secretary-Treasurer:

Mrs. McKoy's letter of resignation was read to the group. Miss Wilkins moved that it be accepted with great regret. Seconded by M. A. Wright.

_____ $2800 less than 1/5 until June.

Norma Huff be appointed acting Secretary-Treasurer until further action of the Board. Moved by Mr. Williams, seconded by Dr. Johnson.

REPORTS

Mrs. Tilly

Told of Dr. Russell's death.

Executive Committee to find a successor, but have not yet got one. Committee appointed to find one. They will also make plans for _____ (annual) meeting.

Check 4½-1½ = Reprint of "How Klan Vote in Georgia"

Negroes _____ from Dr.

Russell's funeral. She told about the work she had done with regard to housing with Atlanta.

The Klan has been very vicious in Georgia. Advising with this Committee what can be done. Executive Committee voted to have Mrs. Tilly go see ~~Mr.~~ Atty-Gen. McGrath.

Murder of ~~Student~~ Tech student at Carrollton, Georgia. Special _____ letter and she went over there. She found a group of young men with Homer Chase, one of whom had been (over) in September. Leaflet Race in the News and took it to our editor.

Ought to be carrying Negroes, trying to get us a Negro reporter. Mrs. Tilly trying to get funds in.

County unit suit used Mrs. Tilly's picture.

Kentucky ~~te~~aching class of church women. Mr. (Tydings) came and spoke to the women. Executive Committee meeting _____ of the difficulty a Negro doctor had with practice in Kentucky.

Kentucky paper carried Fellowship of the Concerned in full. Methodists have printed it, some Baptists, and some Presbyterians.

Arkansas Division: Letter sent out. The Governor wrote the nicest kind of letter; the lieutenant governor did the same. Methodists having annual meeting. YWCA had meeting. Presbyterian women had a meeting.

Did not have a large meeting, but an enthusiastic one. Organized the committee. Elected temporary officials because people wanted were not there. ~~There~~ There was some mix up about the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. They wrote Mrs. Tilly asking if ~~it~~ the SRC was the same thing. Investigation, okay, except Dr. Odum was a socialist.

Special letter asking Mrs. Tilly to speak at Morralton. Tell him about the Council, the money put in it, the Governor's letter. She brought home $80.

Things were not good in Tennessee. A new woman, who does not under stand what it is all about. Mrs. Tilly met with her and is hopeful that things will straighten out.

Fellowship of the Coneemned: Showed cards of women who will help. Georgia best represented, and North Carolina dnd Kentudky are coming ~~along~~ in fine. I am (chary), I will say that much. Mrs. Tilly is now Acting Director of the Georgia Interracial Committee.

Harold Fleming

We hage not published a great deal. January-February New South. We got story on New Orleans election. Article on Dr. Russell. Getting and endouraging appointments to Negroes on policy making.

Mr. Popham wrote news story on it.

New York Times, Atlanta Journal, Charlotte, N.C., papers. Appointments of Negroes. Incorporation of Negroes into the workings of governments.

Another new factor in progress now seems to be a little bit of progress of Race in the News in the last six months. Reprint of Fellowship of the Concerned. Many _____ by Mrs. Tilly.

We have been working with the press. We get cooperation from newspaper editorial writers.

Editor Journal wanted information about Kentucky's admitting Negroes to higher education.

The Reporter. Assisted them somewhat in preparation of an issue. _____ articles and fine editorials.

Dr. Mitchell: There will convene in Atlanta the Southern Conference Education _____ on Discrimination in Higher Education. A group of _____ asked to serve on the general (member) of that meeting. Atlanta papers have been very (cold).

It would injure the Council somewhat if (we - I) took part, but might be _____ Mr. Haas.

Msgr. McNamara agreed.

Finances.

Mrs. McKoy: If we could do as well in the next three quarters as we have in the first, we could swing _____.

Mitchell - salary	$2500.00
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1000.00
_____	250.00
_____	500.00
_____	850.00
South Carolina _____-1950	160.00
_____	
Cardinal Stritch	1000.00
McCormack	250.00

Appointment with Clare Booth Luce. Thinks she will help us.

With expectable income, we need $16,000.

A thousand coming in when we need $2500.

13,500 plus cost of board meeting

14,500 plus 3,000: $17,500 plus Mr. Byrd. $24,500-26,000.

If we took in over and above what is expectable $22,000 _____

On account of _____ conditions, Mr. Byrd has agreed to reduce the amount the Council owes him to $600 instead of the original $700. A note to Mr. Byrd, ~~payable~~ without interest, payable at some time and if necessary Mr. Byrd will write a letter saying the note can be extended. _____ of you signs that note. There is a moral obligation to pay

these notes. If the Board incurs certain obligations

Mr. Abram: The visit to Atlanta about two weeks ago of Mr. Shapiro for the Jewish Committee. I really enjoyed the evening with Mr. Cook and Mr. Shapiro worked out plan of helping the Council. The Committee has for a long time been interested in working in the general field of (welfare) _____. _____ on, &

Money drawn from the Defense Appeal.

Apparent to the Jewish Committee that their work could be strengthened in the South. Want to establish ~~xxxx~~ Southern chapters,,one in Atlanta. In Atlanta to establish chapters or to get involved in civil rights in the South. Certain matters that cannot be handled by overlooking Southern _____. Shapiro make attempt to survey Southern scene, and we (offer) kind of program should be embarked upon. _____ _____ establish~~xx~~ another office. Mr. Shapiro wanted to know what we could recommend.

As _____ the aim of the Jewish Committee to make substantial contribution to the ~~xxxxx~~ Council this was an agency in need of funds. _____ small amount of funds both thought that was true. On a regional level.

No immediate hope of a grant of money, but I believe if Dr. Mitchell and Mr. Haas go up to New York and speak to the Committee, _____ plans can be laid for long term help. The funds ought to come from the South. The next few years until the organization gets better offer financially. We got to get a group of people intere ted in the project and raise some money. Local chapter _____ to give and raise ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ a sum of money. David Marx Jr. wants to become a member of the Council. Basic human rights.

Paid in ~~xxxxxxxx~~ yesterday $520. Received another $100 this morning. Another $70 just now. $1500 in _____, etc.

~~Mr. Haas was highly complimented by~~

Mr. Haas was highly complimented by Mr. Abram. But must have more information about how much money is being (solicited) in the other southern states. So far as I am concerned, until I am assured that something is being done. They knew about the Council. What are we doing in other states? You can't go to any organization like the American Jewish Committee. From a financial standpoint we are pretty sorry.

Mr. Abram suggested that a luncheon meeting be held.

Miss Wilkins: Most encouraged by what you have to say.

Mr. Haas: I am not greatly encouraged. Hard headed businness man. They will want to know what we are doing. We have got to show them what we are doing.

Our first attempt through Mr. Byrd and through foundations

Unless we get substantial funds before April 22 I don't know what we are going to do. A shame to take George Mitchell's time to raise money.

Miss Wilkins: Will our (chairmen) meet in each state, (put) a financial base under this organization.

Possibility of George _____ and the Council leaving this

(community) would be a tragedy. Did (Would) not know so much about the Council. Your leadership is not as conversant with the organization. In each large city in the South we need somebody to do what Leonard Haas has done.

The Board should be more wide awake and should be doing something themselves. They are not business men, but they are people who are trusted, and they have some leadership.

One letter from a Board member in answer to our memorandum to the Board about the _____ of a Board meeting April 22.

Discussion of Board by (profession).

Does the constitution require number of Board members?

Board is too big and does not take too much interest.

Mr. Haas: This Board should try and find somebody in each state to raise some money.

Mr. Byrd: Agreed with everything Mr. Haas has said. The first thing we started out to do. I wrote out such a list on the board. We really ought to be able to raise money.

250 campaign tried to furnish that (amount).

Wrote two letters to every member of the Board and had only ten letters out of the list in reply.

Wrote to chairman of State committees and said had been very glad to get with them to raise money in their state. I got a couple of letters back. They seem to think they could do the job themselves.

On account of emergency, contacted foundations to try to get some money.

Texas. Mrs. Carter Wesley very nice. Gave $100 on a $500 pledge.

Gave me some names but could not use his name.

~~Mrs. Crate. List of names. She could not get them to give.~~

~~Here to to see~~

Mrs. Crate. List of names. She could not get them to give. Let's go to see them. I could not do that. I am busy raising money for the state division and that would injure her hope of getting money for her committee.

With help of Mrs. Wesley:

Mr. Smith: Well, I am interested in it but I have _____ and when all that is over with you come back and see me.

Mrs Wesley agreed to get a group together but did not do anything. Read letter from Mrs. Wesley. A very large Methodist church there. The minister Dr. Shirley:

Your board should have some people in Texas who can command cooperation and get the people together.

The difficulty: We have nobody in these states that we can pin a job on. I found it so in all the states.

Foundations. Contacted five or six.

Independent Aid. Thought we'd get $5000, and they sent us $500.

Phelps Stokes Fund. $1000. Much more than I (expected).

Marshall Field. Thought we'd surely get $5000. $2500.

Commonwealth Fund. Turned us down very frankly.

Whitney. Have not heard from them. Meeting in April.

Rich Foundation. I figured that with all the work we'd certainly get $5000. We are turned down at the present time with that.

Mrs. Roosevelt. Meeting did not materialize. Mrs. Roosevelt gave two more names.

Southern Presbyterians have promised us $1000 but we have not had the money.

Congregationalists. All tied up in a law suit about union with another church.

Episcopal churches. Feel somewhat hopeful.

Lutherans. Hope to get word from them at the meeting in April or May.

The Friends turned us down. We got a letter saying they will reconsider it. Hope to get something from them.

Two or three we have not heard from and two or three we have not as yet contacted.

In Florida. Talked to Mr. Rodgers (spelling of name?). Sending (?) Sent us $100 on a pledge he'd made. No letter or check from him as yet.

Mr. John Alsop of Jacksonville. Container Company. Hope they could give some money. Wrote Mr. Alsop two letters, but no money so far.

Sidney Redmond. Mr. Rogers volunteered to try him. Letter from Mr. Cox in Durham, N.C., said he'd be glad to take this job himself. Is going to see the Redmond boy and he thinks we have a very good chance with him.

Dr. Mitchell to see some people in Nashville next week.

Contacted Cohn _____ group in N.C. Hoped to get $1000.

Mr. Spaulding has agreed to try the Negroes _____ in North Carolina. Personal letter asking for $100 each.

Mr. William T. Scott, Congregational Church. Writing 50 personal letters.

Compile list of six or eight people who could give money. Must be followed up or else we'll lose our chance. How they should be followed up. I will be glad to help. The basis is laid, but the work must be _____.

List of people in Texas with money. No progress on Negro group in Texas and not much _____ among Negroes there.

Spent a lot of time trying to get money from Negro church organizations, but no money so far.

I regret that we haven't got more money out of this. I feel like a thief taking your money, but the groundwork has been laid.

Mr. Wright: A small compact organization, two or three from each state who can go out and get money. If there is to be any follow up done a finance commit-

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tee should do it.

Jaffee _____

_____ be asked to frame it.

More discussion.

General observation over a good many years this show has tried to raise a half of what it lived on in small sums. Had more than half from foundations. After all jerking the whole organization out of that pattern is a _____ one, will not be successful at first. Must find some large gift to keep the organization afloat. Want to find some money in the South. _____ mistake to hope that we can raise a large sum in the next two or three or four months. Our only chance on this is to get from three to four well fixed people who could give from two to five thousand apiece. It is awful to have to raise money by going into a state where you don't know any people to raise the money. Would take much money, time, and trips to raise the money. I jerk rom raising money. Other things supposed to be done. I begin again every year.

Mr. Byrd: But we are (not) asking for money for ourselves but for a cause. The head of an organization should be seen by those who give the money.

Dr. Mitchell: It is getting a little easier to do. What I can do in that way you can't count on to pull us out of the whole.

Perhaps Comer could do what Mr. Haas has done. A rather friendly sort of a person.

Dr. Mitchell will go to see him.

Could we do _____ in these other places as an emergency thing what Mr. Haas did in Atlanta?

Perhaps Mr. Coker in S. C. could do this if he could be sold. Mr. Wright

agreed to write him a letter along these general lines.

Mrs. Tilly: Mr. Hall's son in law

Knox Boys, Thompson Ga.

Miss Wilkins: Do we have a board member in each state to get together the board members on each state _____ do this April 22 letter?

Maybe we can assign an amount to each state which we want out of each state. Perhaps $2000 per state.

Mr. Williams reviewed the gifts he had been able to secure for the Council in the last year.

From Catholic churchmen, $3500. Promise of $500 within the _____. Outside of Archbishop Rummel the Southern bishops don't have the resources for large gifts.

_____	$1000.
McCormack	250.
Promise of Julien Rice	250.

Mr. Haas: Have we got enough friends in the South who are willing to go out and work for us?

Mr. Williams: The problem is you have many in the South who are business men, a lot of them Dixiecrats, etc. They do not like organizations who help the Negroes, the NAACP, SRC, etc.

Your _____ brought before these boards but they do not believe in organizations. They will gladly give money for _____, homes, etc.

Another way to get money.

Very advanced _____ that greatly accelerate the Negro opinion and press. We can't do that.

Mr. Wright: Get excellent statement of Mr. Abram. A great statement. Made a great impression on many. I wish very much Mr. Haas would reconsider his first statement and agree to go before this Board. The matter of discrimination is not altogether Southern. Actually people in the North are _____ and they are

only in disagreement _____ from the problem. I have a feeling of personal guilt with regard to the south but I don't believe we wish to pass up any opportunity to raise money because we haven't worked our own vineyard. Personally I don't think his inner feeling should deter him from doing this. Don't we have a better chance with southerners if we can say, "Here are people detached from it by a thousand miles who have seen the importance of it and are doing something about it"? We are guilty for not having worked here. The time is short and the need is great.

Mr. Haas: I don't intend to pass up any opportunity to raise money and I want to say that I won't giveup provided we will exert ourselves to get some _____. Unless we get some _____ _____. We have got to have some _____ to justify our working on the smaller money we can get in the South.

Mr. Byrd: Money is sent in, some from the South and it can come back to the South. We are getting something (not as much as you will be asking for, but something.)

Dr. Mitchell: After he left the annual meeting in November Mr. Dabbs wrote to Council members in S.C. Head office is in a bad way. Checks came in mighty generously. I am supposed to help them build their own division and not bleed them from this office. Maybe Mr. Dabbs would write them.

Each head of state division is on the Board and they would contact their board members. This has this bad feature. Ten dollar letter in 1948-1949. Total sum of nearly $4000.

Miss Wilkins: I am thinking that the board membership plan a campaign to produce approximately $2000.

After all, the board was elected by members, board members, your members. In this tight spot we are in we have got to apprise the board of the gravity of the situation.

Dr. Mitchell: I could duplicate on the state division heads, but not on the Board members.

Mr. Byrd: Mr. Williams, would it be possible in Virginia to duplicate what Leonard Haas has done?

Mr. Haas: We do not have enough friends among business people unless we can get some foundations. I am perfectly willing to make the try with the American Jewish Committee.

Trip could probably be made some time in April, perhaps the middle of April.

Dr. Mitchell: Arrange about the date.

Mr. Wright: _____ very handsomely. Would there be a possibility of interesting such a Southern organization? If you could appear before their executive committee and ask it to sponsor a campaign for this organization. I have _____ enough friends among Southern editors to sponsor a campaign from southerners.

Mr. B rd: During the war, organized a little committee sponsoring. An editor on the committee and we told them the story every day for a week. I got around $5000 from each of three towns for a week.

Asheville paper reprints everything Mr. Popham writes. Ramseyk editor, would help. So would the Columbia Record; would do the same thing.

Mr. Fleming: Any newspaper group has too much _____ in it, but if one or two of our editorial friends could help us _____ directly with the other editors _____ there is some chance. We have had some publicity. There has been little evidence th t it has produced much money.

Mr. Wright: If we don't get a substantial amount of money we can't do anything. Paper write-ups must be followed up.

Get _____ Times in Asheville and a committee of perhaps three.

Mr. Fleming: If Board members would go to editors and secure their help.

Miss Wilkins:. Should we advise this situation? (Send) report to the Board meeting. We have got three weeks ahead.

Mr. Haas: I don't believe I will have any success unless we have each state working.

Miss Wilkins: It all goes back to the Board; we must have help from the Board or we are sunk.

Mr. Wright: What about the State heads and the Board members to be a State committee to raise money?

Dr. Johnson: It looks like a duplication of what has been done before.

Mr. Haas: Unless we can get the Board members in each state to raise this money, we have no excuse for continued existence.

Msgr. McNamara: We are so far ahead of the thinking of the region ~~(xxxxxx)~~ and are trying to bring the rest up to our thinking. We must have help from a foundation or fold.

Mr. Haas: But we can't go on and on saying "Where can we raise money, where can we get money?"

If fight to raise money for a _____ time for Southern Council it is something else. We are too far ahead of the region.

Mr. Williams: Nothing for the liquidation of the _____ ~~XXXXX~~ We have not prepared for it. We should have started this money raising several years ago.

Dr. Mitchell: Galvanize the state heads.

Other is some meeting of Board for April 22.

We can have the construction of a drive committee in each state.

Ask them to have an earlier meeting before April 22 to see what

they can plan.

On April 22 show them the seriousness of the situation and get them to raise money for the certain date.

What about deferring the trip to New York to the AJC until after the Board meeting?

Dr. Mitchell? If you don't raise some money and have to fold, what is the _____ _____? Should we call the Board again?

Miss Wilkins: The Board will have to place the responsibility in your hands as to what should be done.

Dr. Mitchell: Everything that is raised is to get the Council headquarters, an emergency fund raising program. "We need money to _____ do this or that here and the money" they may want to keep the money in their own state, or a part of it.

Miss Wilkins: You kind of direct your _____. Brooks Hays might get for a state meeting.

Dr. Mitchell: We have trained and nursed some little organization. When we really ask them to do, they eventuall do. Then when the Board comes in you can get them off to a real start by instructing the editors, etc.

Miss Wilkins: We have got to build a fire under them.

Mr. Fleming: Are we prepared to say, Help the show or die? We must say that to the Board very energetically but not to the people.

What about next year? We are coming back to you to get some more.

Miss Wilkins: Telegram goes to the Board members.

Mr. Wright: I agree with Miss Wilkins.

Mrs. Tilly: We are the only organization of this sort.

Miss Wilkins: I will write Milton C. Rose, secretary of the William C. Whitney Foundation. MichaelStraight also.

Dr. Mitchell: Somebody has got to drop into this thing a couple of thousand dollars. We postpone meeting payroll. We have got to have some big bail. I don't know where it's coming from. So many months I have dragged along on ten cents a day, but I have got to have five hundred dollars a week to get along.

Mr. Wright: Should we not have a financial _____ of three or five members? We are sitting here and discussing details that three men could make decisions on very well. Need someone like her on _____. Might we not create an emergency financial board of three members from the Atlanta area?

Rufus Clement
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Mr. Wright: I move the chair be authorized to appoint an emergency financial committee.

Mr. Haas: Whatever committee you appoint, have Morris Abram on it.

Msgr. McNamara: Second.

Would Mr. Dabney be the type person who would wire the other editors?

Hodding Carter's name doesn't do with our Negro (constituency).

I have _____ Mynders. He'd be good to wire the editors regarding this need for money.

Reporter on editorial _____. If a story on financial support, _____ present it as do or die, and in others it is a growing concern. It is up to the Board to say.

Writing personal letters to all of them. If Mynders wrote or wired his firneds and asked them to begin building public support over the south by saying that in our funds _____.

We set up the committee.

Call the Board and say do or die.

If you _____ this meeting by calling the Board _____ that work.

We must have a peg to hang it on.

Mr. Fleming: New South is coming out. If we can get a wire service story _____ our appeal to the editors and then Mynders can send out his appeal. How's that as a beginning? A week to ten days.

Mr. Haas: Would/Did you let group receive publicity? I don't believe I did.

See Mynders to write this letter _____ to his friends.

Mr. Wright: Would/Did you make a contribution to the SRC?

Discussion of making a contribution.

Mynders letter ought to be acted on while it's hot.

Get the Associated Press to scoop our own publication. ~~Thinx~~

Mr. Williams: Hodding Carter has contact with money. Would he write some of his friends and try to raise money for the Council? Mr. Williams could see him by the 14th or 15th of April.

_____.

You are going to _____ away from here with a payroll in not fully met. There is nobody here get me two thousand dollars. I have got to have some money.

Miss Wilkins to help us get the wire done.

Mr. Haas: We have the authority to close up and dis------- everybody here _____.

The payroll must be met by the first of May.

George can get on until April 22, but he must have about $1500.

The by laws read, out letter to a special call meeting of the Board.

Miss Wilkins: _____ to convene together

_____ the Board members.

Mr. Wright: News release quoting from forthcoming New South.

Dr. Mitchell to see Mr. Mynders and gsk him to try.

Members of the Board and the _____

And in addition, active

Some the Board be told _____ making some report of this meeting.

Telegram go to convey idea that if they can get any money right away and to take part in a financial campaign. No South Carolina.

Who is going?

Anything George wants to do is all right with me.

Msgr. McNamara: We have got to get to the Board with something or they will vote for disorganization.

Mr. FlemingL Your situation is a gamble with the rest of the organization.

Msgr. McNamara: We will get _____ but we won't get support.

Mr. Eleming: A limited number of newspapers. Readers who are interested in this.

Dr. Johnson: Stories do not lead people to put their names on a check.

Msgr. McNamara: The vitalizing force must come ~~from the~~ before the Board meeting. A letter folloging the _____, as members of the Board they are morally responsible and that they should come here regardless of whether they will close up or don't close up and with money in their pockets.

They should not (call). Suggest it to them that they not (call).

Mr. Wright: We do not have the funds. We have a policy. They will assume it will be paid and there may be war if they are not.

Dr. Johnson: Second Msgr. McNamara.

Apprise of the fact ~~they~~ that we cannot pay their expenses notwithstanding.

The funds are not available for attending the meeting. We urge you make all the sacrifice involved in being present.

The action of the Exectutive Committee _____ that we go on until April 22.

Execution of a note to Mr. Byrd.

Mr. Wright: The proper officers of the Council _____ pay half but instructed to give to Mr. Byrd a promissory note, no interest, but interest after the maturity date at the regular rate _____ in the amout of $6,000. Recognition that Mr. Byrd has given $1,000 as a gift to the SRC.

Bernard Baruch. Mrs. Roosevelt said _____ do any good. He is a good friend of hers.

Archie Huntington. Mr. Wright will do what he can. It may be Mr. David R. Coker would help with this, _____ he was on Mr. Huntington's board.

Professor W. C. Coker at Chapel Hill knows Archie Huntington ~~[illegible]~~ _____ will talk with him.

How we can turn up this much money. $12,500.

It may be that if we could show a good stout flow of money from the South the General Education Board we might get some more from them.

Our program has suffered and will suffer more next month and the month after ~~[illegible]~~ the Board meeting. If I have to think about money I can't think ahead of the South.

Byrd thinks we ought to get them to _____ of the Jewish Committee to the SRC.

Compliment the executive committee planned so hard, worked ear-

nestly.

Make a calculation of money that has come from Negro contributors in recent months.

Any possibility of getting the city council to make a contribution to the Council? They might feel justified in making.

Follow up.

Jane's report on survey. Winding up survey in Greenville. Full of enthusiasm about results of the survey. Three quarters. No _____. handle housing, recreation.

Councils _____ in _____. Have request of a number _____ small sum.

Another source of money we ought to be able to tap. A lot of our money goes to ding the work of national magazines and newspapers. We help them get information and background for their articles. It has worked that was with The Reporter. It has given us a thousand dollars.

Editor of Colliers. Go after him.

J Wilkins = minutes skd be corrected ~ m o/ p

Exec. Comm. 3/31/50

Minutes of the Executive Meeting - 3/31/50. Met at 10 o'clock in offices of the Council. Present were:

Guy Johnson
Msgr. T. James MacNamara
M. A. Wright
Paul Williams
Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Josephine Wilkins
Morris Abram
Harold Wright (should that be H. Fleming?)
Thomas Byrd
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Dr. George Mitchell
Mrs. Huff Norma
Leonard Haas

so = N.C. ?

Meeting called to order by —

The invocation was given by Msgr. MacNamara. Roll Call by Mrs. McKoy.

President ~~Williams~~ to serve as chairman of the Executive Committee minutes last Williams three very important things that came out of the ~~meeting~~ minutes

incorporated

1. The authorization that the Council operation at present level
2. To meet on the 31st
3. That we refer to the Board the action of that meeting and ask that the Board be called if necessary on April 22nd.

It was agreed that the minutes would not contain these three actions and therefore it was agreed by the committee that the minutes be changed to read in this manner. Memo to the executive committee in regard to dues.

2500
9
22 500
9
13 500

/Discussion and exploration of. Copies of memo passed to each member of the executive committee. Memo read by Dr. Mitchell

Discussion re the N. C. situation.

_____ and action office here and (or there) _____

chapter _____ _____ out in the states work for day when several part

_____ _____ _____

We depend on the state ~~people~~ chapter and they get the money.

?classified ? memberships ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ have always helped so

frame letter ~~xxxxxx~~ that this _____ to us.

What are their views and wishes? Please let us know.

~~Rxxx~~x

PAUL WILLIAMS: If they wish to make a draft, should be very polite.

MSGR. MAC NAMARA: Moved, seconded by ~~?xMixxxx?xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ M. A. Wright that we answer the memo. Letter from Mrs Ames read by Dr Mitchell

PAUL WILLIAMS: We assume that we are continuing the work of the old interracial commission.

MRS TILLY said she knew the Ga. committee's responsibility for ~~the~~ Negro police

MR HAAS moved board accept Mrs Ames' resignation. ~~in~~ He ~~Leonard~~ ~~Wheat~~ said he thought it was a fair statement.

PAUL WILLIAMS thinks we should write her. This was agreed to ~~?~~by McNamara and Dr. Mitchell ~~?~~

We helped get Negro police story ——— an effort to get it some money.

HAROLD FLEMING: ~~Are~~ Our claims are ~~xxxxx~~ getting notice and have been in the past.

WMS: So long ~~how~~ as progress is being made other organizations dont object to what we are claiming in this story. Point ~~how~~ out that this story was written by a newspaper man.

Action of the Secretary-Treasurer

MRS McKOY: Resignation letter read to the group.

MISS ~~JOSEPHINE~~ WILKINS. ~~She~~ moved that it be accepted with great regret.

M. A. WRIGHT: Seconded. Norma Huff came _____. Smart little girl & doubtin whether can do it. I am certain she will make a ~~xxxxxx~~ good secretary-treasurer.

_____ $2800 less than 1/5 until June. xxxxxxxxxxx

Be ~~By~~ appointed acting secretary treasurer until further action of the board.

PAUL WILLIAMS. Seconded by GUY JOHNSON.

Reports

MRS. TILLY told Russell died.

Executive Committee to find a successor but have not yet got one.

Committee appointed to find one. They will also make plans ~~forzxzxzxzxzxzx~~ for/~~have/and~~ _____ ?-actual-? meeting.

Reprint of "How the Klan Vote in ~~A~~ Georgia/~~an~~

Negroes _____ _____ because they were _____ _____ some ?-resolution-? _____. She told about the work she had done with regard to housing with Atlanta.

Klan been very vicious in Georgia. Advising with this committees about what can be done. Executive Committee voted to have Mrs Tilly to go see Mr. McGrath.

Murder of Student at Tech over in Carrollton, Ga. I _____ letter and she went over there. I found a group of young men with Homer Chase. One of whom had been _____ in F. B. leaflet Race in the News and took it _____ to our editor-? ~~Atlanta.~~

Ought to be carrying Negroes, trying to get us a Negro

?-reporter-? . Mrs Tilly trying to get funds in.

Committee _____ Mrs. Tilly's picture.

Kentucky teaching class of church women. Mr. _____ came and spoke to the women. Executive committee meeting the _____ of the _____ a Negro _____ yet _____ in ?-Kentucky-? Kentucky carried _____ Fellowhip of the Concerned in full. Methodists have printed it, som e Baptists & Presbyterians.

ARKANSAS DIVISION. Letter sent out ( ) Governor wrote nicest kind of letter. Gov. governor did the same thing

Methodists having annual meeting. YWCA meet. Presbyterian women had meeting.

Did not have a large meeting, but a Con Ex thus. meeting.

Organized the committee. Elected temporary officials because people wanted were not there. Some mixup about Southern Conference for Human Welfare. They wrote Mrs Tilly was it the same thing. Investigation Okay except Dr. Odum was a socialist.

_____ letter asking Mrs Tilly to speak at Morralton. Tell him about the Council, the money put in it, the Governors letter. She brought home $80.

Things were not good in Tenn.. A new woman who does not understand what it is all about. Mrs Tilly met with her and hopeful that will all straighten out.

Fellowship of the Concerned. Showed cards of women who will help Georgia N. C. & Ken. coming in fine. I am _____, I will say that much, Mrs. Tilly, is now

acting director of the Ga. Interracial Committee.

HAROLD FLEMING

We have not published a great deal, Jan - Feb New South. We get all New Orleans election. Article ~~this~~ on Dr Russell getting _____ to/those Negroes on _____ making.

Mr. Popham wrote news story on it.

New York Times, Atlanta Journal, Charlotte N.C. papers. Appts of Negroes. Incorporation of Negroes into the workings of govts.

Another new factor in progress now ~~seems up~~ seems to be a little bit progress of Race in the News in the last six months. Reprint of Fellowship of the Concerned. Many ~~Money~~ _____ by Mrs. Tilly.

We have been working with the press Get cooperation from newspaper editorial writers.

Editor Journal wanted information about Kentucky admit(ting) Negroes to higher education.

The Reporter. Assisted them somewhat in ~~xxxxxxxx~~ preparation an issue. _____ articles and _____.

DR. MITCHELL: There will convene in Atlanta Southern Converfence Education & _____ on Discrimination in Higher Education.

A ~~xxxxxx~~ group of _____ asked to serve on the ~~xxxxxxx

Msgr. McNamara agreed.

FINANCES.

Mrs. McKoy. If we could do ~~[illegible]~~ in the next three quarters as we have in the first, we could swing ____.

Mitchell Salary	$2500.00
_____ Fund	1000.00
_____	250.00
etc	

With expectable income we need $16,000.

_____ in over and above what _____ 22____

On account of _____ condition Mr Byrd has agreed to reduct the amount the ~~concern~~ Council owes him to $600 instead of the $700 original. A note to Mr Byrd without interest payable at some time and if necessary Mr Byrd will write a letter saying the note can be extended. _____ _____ of you signs that note. There is a moral obligation to pay those notes.

If the board incurs certain obligations

Mr Abrams: The visit to Atlanta about two weeks ago of Mr. Shapiro for the ~~just~~ Jewish committee. I really enjoy evening with Mr Cook and Mrs Shapiro worked ~~with~~ out plan of helping the Council.

The committee has for a long time been intere ted working into general field of (welfare) _____. . _____ on.

Many/Money drawn(?) from Defense Appeal.

Apparent ~~Appeal~~ to the Jewish ~~Church~~ Committee that their work could be strengthened ~~in the~~ in the South. Want to establish ~~xxxx~~ southern chapters, one in Atlanta. In ~~?~~-Atlanta~~?~~ to establish chapters or to get _____ in civil rights in the South. _____. _____ matters that can not be handled by overlooking ~~southern~~ _____. Shapiro _____ make attempt to survey southern scene and we ought kind of ~~the~~ program should be embarked upon. _____ regular ~~x~~ ?-owner-? established, to be a _____ all funds to establish another office. Mr. Shapiro wanted to know what could ~~we~~ recommend.

As _____ the aim of the Jewish Committee to make _____ to the Council this was an agency in need of funds. By/But _____ of small amount funds both board thought that was true. On a regional level.

No immediate hope of a grant of money, but I believe if Dr. Mitchell and Mr. Haas go up to New York and speak to the committee _____ plans can be laid for long term help. The funds ought to come from the south. The ~~xxxx~~ next few years until the organization ?-gets-? better off financially. We got to to get a group of people interested in the project and raise some money. Local chapter _____ to give and raise a sum of money _____.

David Marx Jr wants to become a member of the Council. Basic human

rights.

Paid in yesterday $520. Received another $100 this morning. Another $70 just now. $1500 in _____ etc.

MR. HAAS was highly complimented by Mr. Abram but most have no information about how much money is being (solicited) in the other southern states. So far as I am concerned until I am assured that something is being done. They knew about the Council. What are we doing in the souther states? You ~~xxxxxxxx~~ can't ~~couldn't~~ go to any organization like the Amer. (?) Jewish Committee. From a financial standpoint we are pretty sorry.

MR. ABRAM: Suggest that a luncheon meeting be held.

MISS WILKINS. Most encouraged by what you have to say.

MR HAAS: I am not greatly encouraged, hard headed businessmen. They will want to know what we are doing. We have got to show them what we are doing.

Our first real attempt through Mr. Byrd and through foundations _____.

Unless we get more substantial funds before April 22 I don't know what we are going to do.

A shame to take George Mitchell's time to raise money.

MISS WILKINS. Will our Chairmen meet in each state, a financial base under this organization. (?)

Possibility of _____ and the Council leaving this (community) would be a tragedy. Would/Did not know so much about the Council. your leadership is not as conversant with the organization. In each large city in the south we need somebody to do what Leonard has done!

The board should be more wide awake and should be doing

something themselves.

They are not Business-? men but they are people who are trusted, and they have some leadership.

One letter from a board member in answer to our memo to the board about the _____ of a board meeting April 22.

Discussion of board by ?-profession/?

Does the Constitution require number of board members?

Board is too big and does not take too much interest.

MR. HAAS: This board should try and find somebody in each state to raise some money.

MR. BYRD: Agreed with everything Mr. Haas has said. The first thing we started ~~out to~~ do. I wrote out such a list on the board. We really ought to be able to raise money.

250 campaign tried to ~~finish~~ furnish that ~~up.~~ [amount]

Wrote two letters to every member of the board and had only ten letters ~~of~~ out of the list in reply.

Wrote to chairman of state committee and said had been very glad to get with them to raise money in their State. I got a couple of letters back. They seem to think they could do the job themselves.

On account of emergency, contacted Foundations try to get some money.

Texas. Mrs Cutter Wesley very nice. Gave $100 on a five hundred dollar pledge.

Gave me some names but could not use his name.

Mrs. Crate. List of names. She could not get them to give.

Lets go to see them. I could not do that. I am busy raising money xxx xxxxxxx for the state division and ~~they~~ that would injure xxxxxxx her hope ~~to~~ of getting money for her committee.

With help of Mrs. Carey Wesley:

Mr. [Smith]: Well I am interested in it but I have a _____ and when all these are over you come back and see me.

Mrs. Wesley. Agreed to get group together but did not do anything. Read letter from Mrs. Welsey. A very large Methodist church there. The minister Dr. Shirley:

Your board should have some people in Texas xxxxxxxx who can command cooperation and get the people together.

The difficutly: xxxxxxxxxxxx We have nobody in these states that we can pin a job on. I found it so in all the states.

Foundations. Contacted five or six. Independent Aid thought said get five thousand dollars and they sent us 500.

PHelps Stokes Fund. $1000. Much more than I supposed. ?

Marshall Field. Though ~~said~~ we'd surely get five thousand -- 2500.

Commonwealth Fund. Turned us down very frankly.

Whitney. Have not heard from them. Meeting in April.

Rich Foundation. I figured that out of the work was said certainl get five thousand. We are xxxx turned down at the present time with that.

Mrs. Roosevelt. Meeting did not materialize. Mrs. Roosevelt gave two more names.

Southern Presbyterians xxxxxxxxxxxx have promised us $1000 but we have not had the money. ~~I feel we will get no money.~~

Congregationalist. All tied up in a law suit about union with another church.

Episcopal churches feel somewhat hopeful.

Lutheran. Hope to get word from them at the meeting in April or May

The Friends turned us down. We got letter saying they will reconsider - it. Hope to get something from them.

Two or three we have not heard from and two or three we have not as yet contacted.

In Florida. Talked to Mr. Rodgers. Sent us one hunder dollars on a pleadge he'd made. No letter or check from him as yet.

Mr. John Alsop of Jacksonville. Contained Company. Hope they could give some money. Wrote Mr. Alsop two letters but no money so far.

Sidney Redmond. Mr Rogers try him. Letter from Mr. Cox in Durham N.C. said had been glad to take this job himself. Is going to see the Redmond boy and he thinks we have a very good chance with him.

Dr Mitchell to see some _____ people in Nashville next week.

Contacted Cohn _____ gtoup in N.C. Hoped to get a thousand dollars

Mr. Spaulding has agreed to try the Negros in N.C. in N.C. Personal letter asking for one hundred dollars each.

Mr. William T. Scott. Congregational Church write 50 personal letters.

Compile list of six or eight people who could give money. Most be followed up or else we'll lose our chance. How

they should be followed up. I will be glad to help. The basis is laid but work ~~XXXXX~~ must _____

List ~~of~~ people in Texas with money. No progress on Negro group in Texas ~~xx~~ and not much _____ among Negroes there.

Spent lot of time trying to get money from Negro church organizations but no money so far.

I also requested that _____ _____ money out of ~~xxx~~ this. I feel like a thief taking your money but the ground work has been laid.

M. A. WRIGHT. A small [compact] _____, two or three from each state you can go out and get money. ~~XXXXX~~ If there is to be any follow-up done a finance committee should do it.

_____

Jaffe _____

_____ be asked to frame it.

More discussion.

?-General-? observation over a _____ this _____ to raise a half of what _____ in small sums. Had ~~xxxx~~ more than half from foundations. After all checking the old _____ out of that _____ is a _____ one, ~~WILL NOT BE SUCCESSFUL AT FIRST~~ will not be successful at first. Must ~~xzxzfindxzxzxomexlxrgexgiftz?-toxcnvxx?xzxzxzxzxzxzxzxzxzxzxWxnxzxox findxsmxzmoxeyzx~~ find some large gift to keep the organization afloat. Want to find some money in the South. _____ mistake to hope that we can raise a large sum in the next two or three or four months. Our only chance on this is to get from three ~~fourths~~ to four well fixed people who could give from two to five thous. apiece. It is awful to have to raise money by going into a state where you don't

know any people to raise the money. Would take much money, time and ?-trips-? to raise the money. I ?-jerk-? from raising money. Other things that are _____ time. I begin every year again.

MR. BYRD: But we are [not -?] asking for money for ourselves but for a cause. The kind of an organization should be ~~sent by/but~~ seen by those who ~~get~~ give the money.

DR. MITCHELL: It is getting a little easier to do. What I can do in that way you can't count on to pull us out of the whole.

Perhaps Commer (sp ?) could do what Mr. Hass has done. A rather ~~f~~ ?-friendly-? sort of a person.

Dr. Mitchell will go to see him.

Could we do _____ in these other ~~?/~~places~~-?~~ as an emergency thing what Mr Haas did in Atlanta?

MR BYRD: Perhaps Mr Coker in S C could do this if he could be sold. Mr. Wright agreed to write him a letter along the general line.

Mrs Tilly: Mr. Hall's son-in-law.

Knox Boys, Thompson, Ga.

MISS WILKINS: Do we have a board member in each state to get together the board members on each state _____ to this April 22 letter?

Maybe we can assign an amount to each state that ?-what; should; ought-?~~/~~ we want out of each state. Perhaps 2,000 per state.

MR. WILLIAMS: Reviewed the gifts he had been able to secure for the Council in the last year.

From Catholic churchmen, $3500. Promise of $500 within the [region]. Outside of szxzxzxzxzxBishop Archbishop Rummel the Southern bishops ~~didn't~~ don't have the resources for _____ large gifts.

_____	$1,000.
McCormack	250.
Promise of Julien Rice	250.

MR. HAAS: Have we got enough friends in the South who are willing to go out and work for us.

MR. WILLIAMS:

The problem you ~~chapters~~ have many in the South are business men, a lot of them Dixiecrats, etc. They do not like organizations who help the Negroes, NAACP, SRC., etc.

_____ brought before these borads but they do not believe in organizations. They will gladly give money for _____, homes, etc.

Another way to get money. Very _____ purchases that greatly accelerate the Negro _____. We can't do that.

MR. WRIGHT: Get [Excellent] statement Mr. Abram. A great statement. Made a great impression on many. I wish very much Mr Haas would reconsider his first statement and agree to go before this ~~A~~-Board~~A~~. The matter of discriminate is ~~in~~ not altogether southern. Actually people in the north are _____ and they are only in disagreement _____ from the problem. I have a feeling of personal guilt with regard to the ~~? future ?~~ south but I don't believe we wish to [pass] up any ~~appeal~~ opportunity to raise money because we haven't worked our own vineyard. Personally I don't think his inner feeling should deter him from doing this. Don't we have better chance with the southerners if

we can say Here are people detached from it by a thousand miles who have seen the importance of it and are doing something about it. We are [guilty] for not having worked here. The ti e is short and the need is great.

MR. HAAS: I don't intend to pass up any opply to raise money and I want to say that I won't give up provided we will ourselves to get some time.

We have got to have some to justify our working on the smaller money in the south.

MR. BYRDL Money is sent in from some of the south and it can come back to the south. We are getting something /some from the/ (not has much as you will be asking for, but something.)

DR. MITCHELL:

Mr. Dabbs after he left the annual meeting in november and wrote to Council members in South Carolina. Head office is in a bad way. Checks came in mighty generously. I am supposed to help the build their own division and not bleed them from this office. Maybe Mr. Dabbs would write them.

Each head of state division is on the Board and they would contact their board members. That has this bad feature. Ten dollar letter in 1948-1949. Total sum of nearly four thousand dollars.

MISS WILKINS: I am thinking th t the board membership plan a campaign to produce approximately two thousand dollars.

Zfter all, the board was elected by members, board members your members. In this tight spot we are in we have got

to apprise the board of the [gravity,] of the situation.

DR. MITCHELL: I could _____ on the state division heads but not on the board members

MR BYRD: Mr Williams, would it be possible in Virginia to duplicate what Leonard Haas has done?

MR. HAAS: We do not have enough friends among business people nor _____ some foundations. I am perfectly willing to make the try with the American Jewish Committee.

Trip could probably be made sometime in April, perhaps the middle of April.

DR. MITCHELL: Arrange about the date.

~~xxxxxxxxxx~~

MR WRIGHT: _____ have them very handsomely. Would there be a possibility of interesting such a southern organization. If you could appear before their executive committee and ask it to sponsor a campaign for this organization. I have _____ enought friends among southern Editors to sponsor a campaign from southerners.

MR. BYRD: During war organized a little committee sponsoring an editor on the committee and we told them the story every day for a week. I ~~could~~ got _____ five thousand dollars from each of three towns for a week.

Asheville ~~xxxxx~~ paper reprints everything Mr. Popham (?) writes. Ramsey, editor, would help. So would the Columbia Record would do the same th ng.

Fleming: Any newspaper group has too much _____ in it but if one or two of our editorial friends could help us _____ directly with the other editors _____ ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ there is some

should have started several years ago.

DR. MITCHELL: Galvanize state heads.

Other is some meeting of board for April 22.

We can have the construction of a drive committee in each state.

Ask them to have an earlier meeting before April 22 to see what they can plan.

On April 22 show them the seriousness of the situation and get them to raise money for the certain date.

What about deferring this trip to New York to the AJC until after the board meeting?

DR MITCHELL: If you don't raise some money and have to fold what is the _____. Should we call the board again?

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the other 4 editors.

Hodding Carter's name doesn't do with our Negro ?-constituents-?

I have _____ Mynders. He'd be good to wire the editors regarding this need for money.

~~Reporters~~

Reporter on editorial ____. If a story on financial support _____ presents it as do or die and in others it is a growing concern. It's up to the board to say.

Writing personal letters to all of them. ~~Xxxx~~ If Mynders wrote or wired his friends and asked them to begin building public ~~sentiment~~ support over the ~~xxxxx~~ south by saying that in our funds _____

We set up the committee.

Call the board and say do or die.

If you _____ this meeting by calling the board _____ that work.

_____ for a _____ to hung it on.

FLEMING: New South coming out. If we can get a wire service story _____ our appeal to the editors and then Mynders can send out his appeal. How's that as a beginning? A week to ten days.

MR. HAAS: Would/Did you let group receive publicity. I don't believe I did.

We _____ to write this letter to his friends.
/See Mynders/

MR. WRIGHT: Would/Did you make a _____ to the Southern Regional Council? Discussion of making a _____ __.

MR. MYNDERS: Letter ought to be acted on while it's hot.

Get the Associated Press to scoop our own publication press.

MR. WILLIAMS: Hodding Carter has contact with money. Would he write to some of his friends and try to raise money for the Council? Mr. Williams, could xxx see him xxx by the 14 or 15 of April.

_____.

You are going to _____ away from here with a payroll in _____. There is nobody here get me two xxxx thousand dollars. ~~We~~ I have got to have some money.

MISS WILLKINS to help us get the wire done.

MR. HAAS: We have the authority to close up and dis_____ everybody here in _____

The payroll must be met by the ?-first May-?

George can xxxxxxx get on until April 22 but he must have about $1500.

The by laws _____ read out letter to a special call meeting of the board.

MISS WILKINS: _____ to convene together _____ _____ the board members.

MR. WRIGHT: No release _____ from _____ a New South.

Dr. Mitchell to see Mr. Mynders and ask him try.

Members of the board and the

and in addition active _____

Some the board be told _____ making some report of this meeting.

Telegram go to convey idea _____ that if they can get any money xxxxxxx right away and to take part in a financial campaign. No South Carolina.

Who is going?

Anything ~~Chough~~ George wants to do is alright with me.

MSGR. MC NAMARA: We have got to get to the board with something or they will vote for disorganization.

MR. FLEMING: Your situation is a ~~? comparable ?~~ with the _____ of the organization.

MC NAMARA: We will get _____ but we won't get ~~xx~~ support.

MR. FLEMING: A limited number of newspapers. Readers who are interested in this.

MR. JOHNSON: Stories do not lead people to put their names on a check.

MSGR. MC NAMARA: The vitalizing force must ~~must~~ come before the board meeting. A letter ~~frxlixxx~~ following the _____, as members of board they ~~will~~ are morally responsible and that they should come here [regardless of] ~~all~~ whether they will close up or don't close up and ~~xxxx~~ with money in their pockets.

They should not [call.] Suggest it to them that they not [call.]

MRS. WRIGHT: We do not have the funds. We have a policy. ~~Thxtxwillxzxxxxx~~ They will assume it will be paid and may be _____ war if they are not.

MR. JOHNSON: Second McNamara.

~~I~~ Apprise of the fact they cannot pay their expenses notwithstanding.

The funds are not available in attending the meeting. We urge you make all the sacrifice involved in being present.

The action of executive committee _____

that we go on until April 22.

Execution ___ a note to Mr. Byrd.

MR. WRIGHT: The proper officers of the council _____ pay half but instructed to give to Mr. Byrd a promissory note no interest and interest after the _____ date at the regular rate _____ in the amount of six thousand dollars _____ that Mr. Byrd has given one thousandollars as a gift to the SRC.

Bernard Baruch. Mrs. Roosevelt said to _____ do any good. He is a good friend of hers.

Archie Huntington. Mr. Wright will do what he can. It may be Mr. David R. Coker would help with this, _____ he was on Mr. Huntington's board.

Professor W. C. Coker at Chapel Hill knows Archie Huntington _____ will talk with him.

How we can turn up this much money. $12,500 dollars.

It may be that if we could show a good stout flow of money from the south the General Education Board we might get some more from them.

Our program has suffered and will suffer some more next month and the month after the board meeting. If I have to think about money I can't think ahead of the south.

Byrd thinks we ought to get them to _____ a _____ of the Jewish Committee to the SRC.

Complement the executive committee planned so hard, worked earnestly.

Make a car _____ of money that has come from Negro contributors in recent months.

Any possibility of getting the city council to make a _____ to the council. They might feel justified in making.

Follow up.

Jane's report on survey. Winding up survey in Greenville. Full of excitement about results of the survey. Three quarters. No _____. Handle housing, recreation.

Councils _____ in _____. Have request of a number small _____.

Another source of money we ought to be able to top. A lot of our money goes to doing the work of natl. magazines and newspapers. We help them get information and background for their articles. It has worked that way with The Reporter. It has given us a thousand dollars.

Editor of Colliers go after him.

Board of Dir.
4/22/50

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Minutes of the Board ~~Meeting~~ of Directors Meeting

April 22, 1950

The Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council met at. 10:10 A. M., April 22, 1950, in the Council offices.

The following members were present:

2 — Mr. A. T. Butler —
3 — Mr. Paul Christopher —
15 — Mr. Glenn Rainey —
1 — Mr. A. D. Beittel —
12 — Mr. Guy Johnson /B./ —
19 — Mr. Marion A. Wright —
5 — Mr. William E. Cole —
13 — Miss Cassandra Maxwell —
~~The following members~~
17 — Miss Josephine Wilkins —

7 — Mr. ~~Charles~~ C. H. Gillman —
9 — Mr. Leonard Haas —
6 — Mrs. James S. Crate —
16 — Mr. J. M. Tydings —
11 — ~~Mrs~~ Dr. Gordon B. Hancock —
14 — Mr. Alfred Mynders —
18 — Mr. Paul Williams —
4 — Dr. Rufus E. Clement —
10 — Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton —
8 — Mr. John Griffin —

Staff members present were:

Dr. George Mitchell
Mrs. Norma Huff
Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Mr. Harold Fleming
Miss Beth Rogers

The meeting was called to order by President Williams, who presided. The invocation was given by Dr. Hancock.

Upon motion of President Williams, seconded by Dr. Hancock, roll call was dispensed with.

SHOULD THIS GO IN?

(Amendments to the minutes of the previous Board meeting were ~~n~~ noted by Mr. Williams.)

President Williams read the Report of the Executive Committee ~~t~~ to tbe Board concerning their meetings of February 2 and March 31, 1950. Upon motion of Mr. Mynders, ~~the substance~~ report of the Executive Committee Report was adopted.

Dr. Mitchell ~~read~~ then read a letter which he had received from Mr. Thomas Cooley, Council for the Subcommittee on Labor-Management Relations

of the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, asking him to testify before the Subcommittee in May or June. Dr. Mitchell asked whether the Board would approve his testifying. The Board adopted a motion by Mr. Rainey that Dr. Mitchell be authorized to testify.

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The death of Dr. Luther P. Jackson, a member of the Board, was announced. Upon motion of President Williams, seconded by Miss Wilkins, Harold Fleming was asked to prepare a suitable resolution to be sent to Mrs. Jackson.

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Reports by Staff

Dr. Mitchell then reported on current activities, as follows:

The Herald Tribune article, reprints of which were distributed to the Board members present, is the best thing yet done on the Council. It can be helpful in raising money.

A New York Times story of April __ was also very good. (A paste-up of the Times story was passed around) Between those, the Council's plight is getting pretty well known.

Two issues of New South have come out. The cost: $250 each time.

A report on the Greenville Home town Self-Survey is about to come off the stove. The Greenville people are pleased with the results, and improvement in many matters has already been noted. The Greenville Committee offered to pay twenty cents a copy for 1500 copies for printing a report similar to the one by Jacksonville. This will bring the Council enough revenue to print enough for our own people as well as those Greenville wants. The report should stimulate cities to adopt the Home Town Self-Survey.

At the suggestion of Miss Wilkins, Jane Simpson was asked to come into the meeting to give a little more information on the survey.

Among the results noted is an improvement in the handling of Negro news by Greenville papers; for the first time they carried pictures of Negroes and whites together. There have been some things that have tied in with the Council's program: Race in the News has been used by the papers, and the Fellowship of the Concerned has been established there.

President Williams thought it a good idea for the Council to emphasize the self-survey more because people are interested. And the survey is a continuing project. In H--------- (a Virginia town - name?) a similar survey was started ten or fifteen years ago; they are still getting results from it.

Mrs. Hamilton asked if the reports on the Home Town Self-Survey would not be welcomed as teaching material by organizations in the community planning and similar fields. Community Planning Councils, Councils of Social Agencies, etc., are always eager to have materials on processes of community organization. There are no better examples than the self-surveys. We might think of a more direct way to promote them.

Dr. Mitchell suggested that the Board members present should push the Home Town Self-Survey in towns in their respective states.

Miss Wilkins suggested that perhaps letters on the Greenville survey could be sent out.

Mrs. Simpson reported that the Greenville people themselves are promoting the Survey. At a recent regional conference of social workers, one of the main panels was on the Greenville survey.

Dr. Mitchell reported that probably the next town to do a self-survey would be Rock Hill, South Carolina. Mrs. Crate said that San Antonio is doing a similar ~~survey~~ one.

Dr. Mitchell remarked that it would do more good ~~if~~ as we sent Mrs. Simpson out to places that need or want the survey.

Mr. Wright asked how the self-survey might be used to promote the Council's interests. Are there, for example, any people in Greenville who have become aware of what the Council is doing? Mrs. Simpson said ~~that she had not spent enough time in Greenville~~ that she had not been able to spend enough time in Greenville to know.

Dr. Mitchell thought that a good time to get people together there would be when the Report is published.

Mrs. Tilly then reported on her activities.

The Fellowhip of the Concerned is moving along. Kentucky is going well. Georgia is coming along.

Rome: (I lost ~~this~~ a much of her report in general because of a hum of conversation ~~with~~ which prevented my hearing Mrs. T. clearly)

Conyers. A bond issue has been floated for a new Negro school; the old one had burned down.

She reported briefly on the Carrollton incident.

She saw McGrath in Philadelphia.

Ten thousand copies of the leaflet showing how the legislature voted on the anti-mask bill have been printed.

White House Conference. Mrs. Tilly had a conference with Mrs. ~~Kathryn~~ Kathryn Lenroot on the matter of Negro representation from Georgia in the Conference. ~~The~~ The Washington people are going to write to Governor Talmadge. They have ~~assured~~ given assurance that Negroes will be there from Georgia whether they have been appointed or not.

An Arkansas Division has been organized.

Mrs. Tilly recently attended a Cleveland convention, at which

5,000 Methodist church women were present.

She ~~has~~ recently taken a trip to Eastman, Georgia, to see the activities of the Klan. She reported that the Klan in South Georgia is getting most vicious.

Dr. Mitchell reported that Harold Fleming was one of the plaintiffs in the recent County Unit suit. He felt that the suit had spread knowledge of the county unit system and its significance, even though the suit itself was lost.

~~Dr. Mitchell~~ Dr. Mitchell then read his Appraisal of the past and future activities of the Council.

Dr. Hancock commented on where it seemed to him the Council now stands. From the begining the question was whether the Council would begin on a grand scale -- and perhaps work down -- or on a small scale and work up. The Council is faced with the same problem again. Do we have the courage to go back and begin smaller? I don't want to see the Council liquidate, and I don't want to continue to live under this strain. We have everything but money. The Durham meeting was financed by Negroes. We depended upon foundations and they left us high and dry. Are we going to fall back now and do the greater work?

President Williams: Dr. Mitchell's plan is long-range and over-all. Our immediate problem is to keep from liquidating.

Mr. Rainey: We had a meeting of the Georgia Board members. I think we can raise the two thousand for the rest of this year. I believe it is not grandiose to say that if we started on it seriously we could find 5,000 people who would take out a ten-dollar membership or raise it some way or other. These 5,000 would be our underpinning.

Mr. Williams: We could do it on a sustaining basis.

Miss Wilkins: That's the problem.

Mr. Rainey: I can find twenty, forty, or fifty people I've never touched. I believe I could get a pledge of $10 a year for the next five years. If you could do that in ten states you would have a firm starting basis of $50,000.

Mr. Williams: That would be the underpinning. It would be our best talking point with the foundations. The turn-down has been that we aren't getting enough money from the South.

Mr. Rainey: You could go to the foundations for these extra things George wants to do.

Mrs. Norma Huff then gave the Secretary-Treasurer's report.

(WE SHOULD PROBABLY PICK UP SOME FIGURES FROM IT; WHICH ONES?)

Dr. Mitchell told the Board about the circumstances around the hiring and the work of Mr. Byrd. Probably the work he did with national church bodies will pay off. We hope for $2500 a year for a number of years. Mr Byrd will keep on working for our cause, salary free, wherever he is. I don't recommend using a professional money-raiser again.

Someone asked: What is our trouble with foundations? Are we weak in the support we get? Is support lacking because of any policy we may have?

Mr. Williams: Foundations ask to see our figures and they show we have a relatively small amount coming from the South. We need to get more from the South.

Miss Wilkins: The General Education Board has given us $200,000.

Dr. Mitchell: I had an interview with the General Education Board

last Fall that was very revealing. They said: "Your organization has had $600,000 from us. Latterly, you say every time, Help us this once, and we will stand on our own feet. It is about time you stood on your own feet." Other Northern foundations have taken their cue from that.

Mrs. Tilly: We got Phelps-Stokes money and other foundation money because they faced the fact that the Council was the only Southern group now. It was emergency money.

Mrs. Huff: Correction of total liabilities. Should read

CHECK: $10,683.93.

Mr. Griffin: We have about $1600 pledged. We have not heard from about five or six Georgia Board members who were asked to join us in the effort, nor from four or five other persons. We have a good chance of getting over $2,000.

Mr. Rainey: A good part was definitely committed.

Mr. Beittel: In Alabama we wrote a letter similar to the one used in South Carolina, to all members of the Southern Regional Council. It went out too late for us to have had responses as yet. I can tell you nothing about what we may get.

Florida had no representative at the meeting. Dr. Mitchell reported that the Chairman of the Florida Division is new and is slow in answering mail. The membership is loose and weak. Don't look for a lot from Florida.

Miss Maxwell suggested that E. Ackerman in Orlando could be very helpful.

Georgia. It is not too hopeful to say that Georgia can produce $3,000.

Mr. Williams: Georgia can say $2,000 or more.

Mr. Griffin reported $1802 as having been committed to him.

He then described the method used by the Georgia committee to get money. There are 16 Board members in Georgia. In response to Mr. Williams' letter, they held several talks; seven met here in the Bishop's study. Each committed himself to $100 and asked other Board members to do the same. That meant $1400. (THE FIGURES ARE WRONG HERE. DID GRIFFIN SAY THE SEVEN PROMISED $100 PERSONALLY & AGREED TO RAISE $100 MORE?)

We haven't yet hear from all, but at least three who were not at the meeting called and assumed a part in the effort. We compiled also a list of thirty people not to go to for money, but to ask to raise money.

Miss Wilkins: Mr. Haas and Mr. Abram raised $1400 over and above the $2,000.

Mr. Haas: We had a meeting of people who are interested in the American Jewish Committee. I don't think there will be any trouble in Georgia's raising four or five thousand, but we need to raise money in the other states, too, to keep the Council going. I don't think this is a good show. We haven't raised enough to pay off our present indebtedness alone. We need an organized effort in each state to keep the Council going.

Miss Wilkins: It will have to be those people in each state who will assume responsibility for raising money.

Mr. Rainey: There should be something like a major effort made six months in advance of next year. In a city like Columbia, South Carolina, we could call a meeting of something like fifty to a hundred key people. We would ask if they would commit themselves for the following year to raise $100 apiece or get 10 memberships $10 apiece. With 3500 members, if we could get $10 apiece, you would pretty much have your basic foundation.

You could call on ministers, on Negro and white college presidents, etc. You would work on them first and get them to bring three people each. They would be asked to pledge $100 six months from now, or pledge to get ten $10 memberships. If you can raise enough money to get through this year and get 5,000 members next year, your problem is largely solved. It would be important for Dr. Mitchell to be at these meetings.

Miss Wilkins: If Dr. Mitchell is to do an administrative job here, it is going to be difficult for him to raise money. It would be an office responsibility to get the thing started and prepare materials for others to go on.

Mr. Rainey:. Dr. Mitchell should attend a meeting once a year in the capital of every Southern state. It is a public relations job. The most important job the staff could do right now is devote 100% of its time to building this financial base under the organization.

Miss Wilkins: You propse that for another year the staff not do a job, but prepare this financial base. The most useful job the Council could do is to build up a paying basis. Maybe put a field secretary on it before you're through.

Mr. Williams: The work of getting the group to meet would have to be done by people interested in the Council. Then George could go. George couldn't organize the thing.

Mr. Rainey: You need to find one, two, or three people who will assume responsibility for organizing such an effort in each state.

Mr. Wright: We need money in the bank right now. Then we can make plans for what we are going to do six months from now. It is a matter of getting funds for the immediate present.

Dr. Mitchell: If we exclude what we owe Mr. Byrd, our deficit comes down to $12,000. If we exclude mine, it comes down to _____.

Miss Wilkins: Do These figures include operating expenses for the present level.

Dr. Mitchell: $23,500 would wipe the debt clean and pay everybody. We think we can find $5000 from large givers.

Mr. Williams: Glenn Rainey's is the only plan that can give us a sustained basis. Now the problem is to find money by going through the states one by one.

Mr. Rainey: We have to decide whether we are going to liquidate or not. The long-range plan is tied up intimately with the short-range. We are doing this now in Georgia on an emergency basis. Are there people in different state who will go out now and raise $2,000 for this year by the same method?

Mr. Tydings: Kentucky has just finished a legislative program. Before I left I wrote a letter to each member of the Kentucky Southern Regional Council. I haven't had chance to get replies. At a meeting of the Ky Edl. Assn I told President Atwood of the assn. of Land Grant colleges that we had to get $300 from his organization.

I am not willing to commit other members. I have to speak in terms of what I personally can do. I think I can get five hundred, but I had rather not commit myself and do a better job.

Mr. Williams: We will put Kentucky down for $1000 but it doesn't bind you in any way.

Mississippi. Dr. Mitchell spoke in the absence of any Mississippi member. Amount pledged was _____.

Miss Wilkins: If we scale things down to $1,000, $500, etc., how are we going to get $18,000?

North Carolina. Dr. Michell: The North Carlina Division has just begun paying dues.

Dr. Johnson: We can persuade the North Carolina Division to donate its dues to the Council. We haven't had a meeting yet to set up officially the State Division. I don't know who has authority right now. Guy Johnson, Odum, and Wheeler have responsibility.

Mr. Williams: What, conservatively, can you (Dr. Johnson), Spaulding, Odum, and Wheeler do?

Miss Wilkins: Send a letter to each of the eight North Carolina Board members and get them to get twelve more as in Georgia, and you have your $2,000.

Dr. Mitchell: Howard Odum is hopeful of getting a sizeable grant from Mr. Straus, who is now in California.

Mr. Williams: Let that be a separate amount. Do you think you can get $2,000?

Mrs. Huff: There are eleven Board members in North Carolina.

Mr. Wright: If we can get those who met at Durham, we can get $2,000.

Miss Maxwell: Can you get an entree to tobacco money?

Dr. Mitchell: Before went to Washington, solicited. Did not care to give then. I can go back.

Dr. Johnson: We can look to that for the future, but we can't expect anything right now.

Paul Williams: Can we put you down for $2,000?

Dr. Johnson: I guess so.

South Carolina.

Dr Mitchell: Our feeling in the Executive Committee meeting was that South Carolina had done what it should and anything else we get is gravy.

Mr. Dabbs: The membership contributed about $____. ~~Thxxx~~ $100 - $250. That makes about $1,000. I would like to get each Board member in South Carolina to accept this responsibility. I would be afraid to say more than $1,000 more.

Miss Wilkins: Do you know Donald E. Brown, President of the Anderson National Bank?

Mr. Dabbs: No.

Miss Wilkins: Tell him I said give you $100.

Mr. Wright: Judge Waring sent me a list of names of South Carolinians who had written him commendatory letters. I will undertake to write letters to each of them.

Mr. Butler: I went out Thursday afternoon and got $101. I feel I can get another $100.

Mr. Wright: I will undertake to reach Ellison McKissig.) — Spelling?

Tennessee

Mr. Mynders: The Tennessee Division has raised $755 in cash. I don't know what we can get in the future. I wrote a letter to all members. We have received $200 in small contributions so far. There are four directors of the Southern Regional Council in Tennessee.

Palmer	$~~1000~~ 100 (?)
Cole	25
Christopher	50
Mynders	100
Nashville man	50
2 members	30
Arthur Hays Sulzberger	100
Julius Adler	50
Puckett	50
	755

There will be a little more in contributions from members. Mr. Palmer said he would write to fifty of his friends throughout the South and try to interest them in contributions and membership. I think he will get something from those fifty.

Mrs. Hamilton: What are our contacts in Memphis?

Mr. Mynders: Very slim. A political machine makes things difficult.

Texas

Mrs. Crate: Mr. Mitchell wrote us that we would be exempt from raising the $2,000 because we are trying to get a paid treasurer.

Carter Wesley pledged $500. Mr. Shaw, $10.

We are calling a meeting of the Executive Committee in the next few days to consider. I can't pledge, but we hope to canvass the membership. I personally will pledge $100.

Virginia

Mr. Wms: We had a meeting of the Virginia group and decided on a letter about six months ago. Virginius Dabney and P. B. Young were to sign it. For reasons I won't go into, it did not go out. I asked Virginius Dabney to call on Webster Rhodes and Irving May, who is manager of Altheimer's. May pledged $100 and Rhodes $200.

I called personal friends and have pledges for $500. I saw Dave McDonald, of the Steel Workers, CIO, and he pledged $1000.

I am confident we can get $1000 in Richmond alone.

Mr. Williams read a letter from Cardinal Stritch. He might give another $1000. We can conservatively put him down for $500.

I saw George Weaver. He said if I would write a letter buttressed by two letters from Gilman and Christopher, he would present our

case to Philip Murray for $1000 from the General Fund. He is confident he can get the thousand.

Last year Charles McCormack gave $200 with the understanding that it will be continuing. I think we can count on that amount again.

In New Orleans I talked with Archbishop Rummel. He agreed verbally, but his health has failed; since then he has gone blind. He pledged $500. I am confident that if I write a letter to the right person, who will read it to him, the pledge will be delivered.

David McDonald told of the Sidney Hillman Foundation. Dave said he would help on that.

Mr. Gilman: Potofsky is president of it.

Mr. Gilman: George Mitchell can get that money.

Mr. Williams: While in Washington, I talked with Charles Smith and Arthur Raper. I was told of the Paul Mellon Foundation. Smith and Raper took it to Dr. Mordecai Johnson. Dr. Johnson said he would meet with Johnson and Ewing. Johnson suggested Brooks Hays to join the group, and they could do a job.

Louisiana

Dr. Mitchell: I talked with Father O'Connell by phone yesterday afternoon. I think they will find $500 in New Orleans.

Dr. Mitchell then summed up, as follows:

State effort, $12,200. With Cardinal Stritch, Philip Murray, McCormack, the Archbishop, etc., we have $15,400, plus Hillman and Mellon. A couple of thousand of that is included in the five thousand already counted on.

Mr. Williams: What we have gone through is a rather pessimistic view of monies we can bank on.

Mrs. Huff: A letter sent out by Paul Williams, Gordon Hancock and Rufus Clement brought in about $11,000, mostly from Negro sources.

Dr. Mitchell: We are $5,000 short of enough to pay out at the end of the year. Of the $23,500, we see $18,500.

Mr. Wright: How much cash has come across the table today?

Mrs. Huff: About $1,000.

At this point the meeting adjourned for lunch.

~~At the time the meeting was reconvened,~~ Mr. Fleming presented his resolution concerning the death of Dr. Jackson. Text of the resolution follows:

> The South has suffered a tragic and irreplaceable loss in the death of Dr. Luther P. Jackson, of Virginia State College. His untiring service in the cause of a common citizenship has been of great benefit to his State and the entire Southern region.
>
> The Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council wishes to express its deep sorrow at the loss of one of its members who worked so devotedly for the principles which we share.

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Mr. Wright: I feel better about our financial situation than at any other meeting we have had recently. We have raised about $3200 to $3500 since our last meeting. This is not an inconsiderable percentage of what we have to raise. Pledges have been made by very conservative people. Apparently the sum total of what is in hand and reasonably in prospect is not very far from the mark we have set. I am more optimistic about the state of the organization than I was three or four weeks ago. Has action been taken on a finance committee? I wonder if we could not now put on that committee the duty of setting up the machinery, not to

raise the money we need now, but 1951 money. I would think the finance committee would not be called on too heavily now, but can be called on to raise 1951 money.

Have we now convinced Mr. Haas that circumstances are such that he can now ask the American Jewish Committee for funds?

Mr. Haas: Yes. Some is already forthcoming. Still, a lot depends on next year and the year after. We certainly can't go through this every year. We will be doing nothing but raise money to continue our existence. I think we will probably come through the year with $23,000, and I will undertake to approach the American Jewish Committee for money for this year and next. I am not pledging. I will undertake a trip to New York much before the end of the year.

Mr. Williams: If you want me, I will meet you there.

Mr. Wright: Do you agree that it would be a good idea to put on the finance committee now discussed the duty of determining how to get money next year?

Mr. Haas: I am disturbed not only by George Mitchell's having to put so much time into raising money and borrowing money on his life insurance; The thing that really disturbs me is the lack of organization in the states that are really disturbed about the Council's existence. I hope there will be a big improvement.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Rainey has hit on the thing that ought to be the underpinning of the Council. If we can put it on a ten dollar-five dollar basis, then the people interested are not shelling out every year. Mr. Rainey, will you be willing to come over here and shake down your scheme, and we will circulate it all through the South? Then we won't be strained when we go before foundations.

Mr. Rainey:. It looks to me as if the Board itself will have to make up its mind on it. This afternoon it may be the best thing to appoint a committee that can meet and work up the details of the plan. The sort of thing that might be considered is a goal of 5,000 members. On thing you might consider is to put the Council on a firm foundation for a good many years to come. Ultimate membership of 500 in each state who would join with the understanding that they would plan to stay as members for the next five years at $10 a head. It would be a tremendous effort. It seems to me that if this Board and staff put nearly all of their time on that for the next eight months it would be the best thing they could do. More valuable than the money would be a firm membership of 5,000 people in the South.

Mrs.Hamiltion: I'd like to underline. We ought to look realistically at what it will take to do that. No organization can raise money without some representative with particular kinds of skills working with the finance committee in each state. No finance committee can do it. The major responsibility must be with the Board. We need to look at the nature of the Board in each state and look at the people who are going to work with the Board. Whether it would be a public relations representative or financial secretary or something else. We need one man full time with particular skills.

Mr. Rainey: Once you have the thing established and a membership base of 50,000 a year, you can get a man. If we follow the same pattern as used in the emergency without hiring an additional man (we can try it for eight months and see), say to each, Come in with ____ members a month. We can do that in Georgia, did do it in Virginia, get together a half dozen people. Going to try to find fifty people who will join.

Dr. Mitchell: There are a couple of snarls. In Georgia there

is the Georgia Committee on Interracial Cooperation, which has a paid membership of around 2,000.

Mrs. Tilly: It would not conflict much because we have our membership in small towns. We can give you a list.

Mr. Tydings: Can this be put into effect immediately? A man who won't promise $100 can be asked to join for five years at $10 a year.

Dr. Mitchell: We would have to give a letter on that until we can get paper work.

The second difficulty is that we divide dues 50-50. The Executive Committee accepted the recommendation that for major memberships we continue to follow that practice.

Mrs. Huff: Does that apply to $100 gifts?

Dr. Mitchell: If a man just gives to the Council, it stays here; if he earmarks it for the State division, half goes there. If we build up the treasuries of the State Divisions they can pay personnel. This sort of follow up in the local situation will in the long run build us up better. There is a crying need for more activity in the states.

Mr. Rainey: What is the take of the local groups?

Dr. Mitchell: The average state treasury takes in not more than $400 a year.

Mrs. Tilly: This does not apply to the Georgia Committee. Georgia has done a real good job. It has contributions from church groups.

Mr. Rainey: Maybe there should be a committee appointed to study this question. You could set up a committee empowered to draw up a plan in detail along these lines and put into effect or circulate to members of the Board for a yea-or-nay vote.

One thing you could do is leave basic membership where it is, or lower it, and the drive would be for contributing memberships of ten dol-

lars for five years.

Mrs. Tilly: You'd build up your finances if you built up big state budgets and divided the gifts. You have to be able to carry on your program. You need strong state committees and tell people, This is what this is going to do for your own state.

Mr. Rainey: I believe if we forgot state organizations altogether and said, Will you pledge $10 to the regular group ....

Dr. Mitchell: The State Divisions already have a little money. If they could devote that money to a full time person for four to six weeks to raise money ...

Mr. Rainey: Maybe we could find somebody with the talents who could give several months to this and could travel a little.

Mr. Williams: That increases the budget a little.

Mr. Rainey: For the time being we might reasonably ....

Miss Wilkins: The responsibility in this emergency should rest on members of the Board in the several states.

Mr. Wright: It is all the more desirable that a finance committee take charge of meeting the financial situation for 1951. The committee might give consideration to Mr. Rainey's suggestions. We might make a mistake if we decided on any particular course of action. A committee from the Atlanta neighborhood. We could trust their judgment more than ours after they had considered the plan.

Mr. Rainey: The committee should have power to act.

Mr. Wright: Yes. But not power to raise dues.

Mr. Williams: No. They must go within the present framework. Their concern would be with the $10 memberships.

Dr. Mitchell: The classification of memberships is an admini-

strative matter.

We can have a $3.00 regular membership; sustaining membership of $10 a year, and try to get as many as possible on a five year basis. I would recommend: $2.00 student membership; $5.00 membership; $10 sustaining membership. The membership would have to be changed in November. We can't change the $3.00 membership, but we can change anything else. The last membership meeting set classes of dues, but set up nothing else.

This Board's concentration right now is on the $10 special membership.

Mr. Rainey: It is the consensus to instruct a committee to recommend a plan, to put into effect a plan ...

Dr. Mitchell: Shall we split the $10 membership?

Several: Split the basic membership fee, and all major gifts should go to the Council itself.

Mr. Tydings: Kentucky had rather have all money go to the Council and raise our own separately.

Mr. Mynders: The same is true of Tennessee.

Mr. Williams: Split the $3.00 fee.

Miss Wilkins: $3.00 of that is basic membership. Out of the $10, the Southern Regional Council office would get $8.50.

Dr. Mitchell: It costs $2.00 to carry a membership.

Dr. Johnson: North Carolina doesn't have an organization yet, but think that would be all right.

Mrs. Tilly: It would be hard on Alabama and Arkansas.

Dr. Mitchell: Make it optional.

Mrs. Tilly: Then you will come nearer getting it pleasantly and agreeably, too.

~~Mr. Haas moved that all pledges in by June 1 Mr. Wright seconded~~

~~Mr. Haas moved that all pledges made here today be paid by June~~

Upon motion of Mr. Haas, seconded by Mr. Wright, it was agreed that all pledges made here today be in by June 1. (Mrs. Crate: I can't pledge that Carter Wesley will pay $375 by June 1.)

Mr. Wright: Moved that to the finance committee be referred all questions in connection with meeting the budget for 1951 with the authority to take action, not in conflict with the Constitution or with any action taken by this group. Dr. Hancock seconded the move.

Mr. Griffin: It seems to me there is necessity for our seeing on June 1 how we are doing. Maybe June 1 for the Executive Committee and the President to meet and survey the situation.

Mr. Wright's motion was passed.

~~Mr. Griffin~~

Upon motion of Mr. Griffin it was agreed that the Executive Committee meet during the first half of June to survey the collection of pledges.

I think maybe if they have not come up to some level, this Board will have to be called back again.

Mr. Haas: Are we pledging ourselves to go ahead in 1951. I dont think we have the right.

Mr. Wright: I didn't intend to commit us. The committee will be meeting in June to consider the then existing financial condition.

~~Mr. Griffin's motion was passed.~~

Mr. Rainey: Between now and June 1, George or Harold ought to be pushing us.

The finance committee should have on it one Negro, one woman.

Mr. Haas: They should be people in the Atlanta area?

Mr. Williams: They have got to sit on it as hard as they can.

Miss Wilkins: Ought to be one person from each state, then a smaller group for the finance committee made up of people around Atlanta.

Mr. Wright: It should have Not more than about three members, and they should be available for consultation.

Mr. Haas: I'm interested primarily in the $23,000 we have to raise now.

Mr. Williams: That finance committee will have to goad the state chairmen.

Mr. Rainey: The idea is on this year's indebtedness to use either people here today or the group around them and raise $2000 in each state. The question is, who is going to keep pushing them? The answer is, George, the finance committee.

Mr. Wright moved that the committee also be given the responsibility for long range problem. To prepare for consideration by the Executive Committee in June the long-range plan. You couldn't bring in a person from each state for that.

To questions, Mr. Wright said: My motion had in mind the long-range plan for the future. There is a great deal of merit in Glenn Rainey's position that the committee should assist in the present emergency. This to support Mr. Mitchell in his effort. I will be glad to make a further motion that they further have the duty of consulting the

staff and giving such aid, advice, and assistance in meeting the present emergency.

Mr. Griffin: It seems to me that we have accomplished what we have been all of us working on. The finance committee should plan for the future.

Mr. Dabbs: The finance committee would be simply to keep us all moving. Doesn't let any of us out.

Mr. Tydings: The finance committee will be the sparkplug.

Mr. Williams: Can mull over what Mr. Rainey has said.

Dr. Mitchell: A matter of writing letters, etc. That is my job and it encumbers me if I've got to report to a committee before I can act. A finance committee shouldn't have that duty.

Mr. Haas: What about the other $8,000? Will that rest on George Mitchell too?

Mr. Wright: We have put pledges at the absolute minimum. We hope that we might go above them.

Mr. Rainey: One of George's primary duties and one he is willing to undertake is to get each of these states to raise $2,000. What we've fallen short of is the $2,000 pledges. We've got a lot of money we hadn't counted on.

Mr. Williams: For the emergency fund George Mitchell will have to take the load. The finance committee will work on the long-range thing.

Dr. Mitchell: I would like that. I would like them to have heavy responsibility about that $8,000.

Mr. Haas: There was much reluctance to pledge what was pledged.

Dr. Mitchell: Charge the committee with bringing in a plan for 1951 and the short fall of this year's money and the general responsibilty of advising me on bringing in pledges.

Mr. Wright: In addition to the duties heretofore devolving on the finance committee, we place the further duty of assisting in raising funds required for meeting the present emergency.

The motion was approved.

Mr. Rainey was appointed chairman of the Finance Committee.

Other members would be picked by Mr. Rainey, Dr. Mitchell, and Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Now we have to decide whether we are going on.

Upon motion of Mr. Hagg, the Board approved the continuance of work and activities until the June meeting of the Executive Committee.

The confirmation of Mrs. Norma Huff as Acting Secretary-Treasurer was confirmed by the Board.

Resolution on Dr. Jackson passed. See p 15

New business.

Mr. Tydings: Do we have any services to sell? The University of Louisville is instituting a police institute, and Dr. Mitchell (has been asked to serve -- is serving ?) on it.

Dr. Johnson is to keep busy on Mr. Straus.

Mr. Tilly: What about the authorization of a women's meeting like that one last year?

Dr. Mitchell: What about the Executive Committee meeting in June to say yes or no?

Mrs. Tilly: Under the auspices of the Methodist church, weare sending down the editor of national magazine for a trek through the mines. There is no expense to the Council. Do you want to claim part of it for the Southern Regional Council?

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The Board approved.

Mr. Williams: Such matters are always at your discretion.

Miss Wilkins: Have we ever drawn up any form to promote bequests?

Dr. Mitchell: I will talk to Mr. Haas about it.

Miss Wilkins: Should we have "Contributions deductible for income tax purposes" on all material going out for publication?

I believe the organization will have to have more than one Board meeting a year. If the Board is going to assume responsibility for carrying on the Council.

Mr. Wright: Then have to reduce the membership of the Board. The ideal number is eighteen.

Mr. _____: Moved the board instruct the Executive Committee prepare proposed amendments to the by laws at the forthcoming meeting for amendments to bear on the size of the board and its meetings, and the Executive Committee.

Mrs. Tilly: Could you have a Board of Managers and then a general Board? You haven't a single member from Arkansas.

Miss Wilkins: Have a Board and then have a Board of Trustees.

The motion was approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting 10

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The Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council met at 10:10-A.M., Saturday, April 22, 1950, in Bishop Arthur J. Moore's Council Room in the Wesley Memorial Building.

The following members were present:

Mr. A. D. Beittel	Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Mr. A. T. Butler	Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Mr. Paul Christopher	Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Dr. Rufus E. Clement	Miss Cassandra Maxwell
Mr. William E. Cole	Mr. Alfred Mynders
Mrs. James S. Crate	Mr. Glenn Rainey
SP? Mr. C. H. Gillman	Mr. J. M. Tydings
Mr. John Griffin	Miss Josephine Wilkins
Mr. Leonard Haas	Mr. Paul Williams
Mr. J. M. Dabbs	Mr. Marion A. Wright

Staff members present were:

Dr. George S. Mitchell	Mr. Harold Fleming
Mrs. Norma Huff	Mrs. M. E. Tilly

Miss Beth Rogers

~~The meeting was called to order by President Williams, who presided~~

The meeting was called to order by President Williams, and the invocation was given by Dr. Gordon Hancock.

Upon motion, the reading of minutes of the previous meeting of the Board was dispensed with.

President Williams read the Report of the Executive Committee to the Board concerning its meetings of February 2 and March 31, 1950. Upon motion of Mr. Mynders, the Report was adopted.

~~Dr. Mitchell~~

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The Executive Director then read a letter which he had received from-

Mr. Thomas E. Colley II, Council for the Submommittee on Labor-Management Relations of the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, asking him to testify before the Subcommittee in May or June. The Board adopted a motion by Mr.--Rainey authorizing Dr. Mitchell to testify.

The following resolution was adopted as to Dr. Luther P. Jackson, a--member of the Board, lately deceased:

> The Bouth has suffered a tragic and irreplaceable loss in the death of Dr. Luther P. Jackson, of Virginia State College. His untiring service in the cause of a common citizenship has been of great benefit to his State and the entire Southern region.
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> The Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council wishes to express its deep sorrow at the loss of one of its members who worked so devotedly for the principles which we share.

The Executive Director gave a brief review of current Activities. Mrs. Jane Simpson, Survey Assistant, reported on the Greenville Home Town Self-Survey. Numerous improvements

The Executive Director gave a brief review of current activities.

Mrs. Jane Simpson, Survey Assistant, reported on the Greenville Home-Town Self-Survey. Numerous improvements had already been noted in Greenville--as a consequence of the survey. The committee of Greenville citizens having th e matter in charge had undertaken to purchase 1500 copies of a short form account prepared by the Council on the survey.

Members present praised the method of the Home Town Self-Survey and--

urged its adoption throughout the South. The staff was instructed to take necessary steps to strengthen the organization of towns and cities where surveys are--needed.

Mrs. M. E. Tilly, in charge of women's work, reported ramarkable prog--ress in adding additional people to the Fellowship of the Concerned, and reviewed her--work in numerous instances in which the processes of the law had been called-into question. She had also been concerned to aid the cause of Negro representation from Georgia at the coming White House Conference on Children and Youth. She described briefly the establishment of the Arkansas Division of the Council March 21, 1950.

At this point, the Exectuive Director read a lengthy statement in ap---raisal of the past work and present possibilities of the Council.

Dr. Gordon Hancock , in discussion, recalled the questionwhich presented itself at the formative period of the Council: whether the Council should be--gin on a grand scale, and perhaps work down, or on a small scale and work up. The Council, he said, was now faced with the same probelm. Had we the courage to go-back and begin smaller? He did not wish to see the Council liquidate, and he did not wish it to continue to live under the present strain. We had everything but-money. The Durham meeting was financed by Negroes. We thereafter depended heavily on foundations, and support from those sources seems to longer available. He asked whether we were now going to fall back and do the greater work.

Mr. Rainey referred to the meeting several days previously of members--

of the Board living in Georgia. As a condequence of that meeting, he believed--- that $2,000 could be raised in Georgia. He felt that perhaps for the Council's-- long-range needs it would be best to find 5,000 people who would take out ten---- dollar memberships or raise that sum in some way. These 5,000 would be our under - pinning.

Mrs. Huff, Acting Secretary-Treasurer, gave her peport, as follows:

~~Point~~

Owing to the printer, the State Divisions, and the Executive Director-- as salary and unpaid loan was $. Total receipts for the period January 1 to April 18, 1950, were $15,632.76. Total current liabiliaties as of April 18, 1950, were $ .27, of which the greater part was etc. and reduced by April 22 to $4,618.93.

Here append the Report of Executive Committee in full.

The Executive Director reviewed the work of Mr. Thomas F. Byrd as Associate Director working at raising funds for the Council for the period of his employment, September 15, 1949, to April 15, 1950. The sums raised were admittedly disappointing, but a great many additional contacts had been made, some of which with further effort could quite probably produce continuing sumsfor the Council. It-was the view of the Exectuvie Director that the Council in its efforts to find-- support would in any case have tried the device of a money-raising person. The-- Executive Director expressed his appreciation for Mr. Byrd's untiring efforts on-behalf of the Council.

The Executive Director reviewed conversations held late in 1948 with--- several of the leading foundations, the burden of whose views had been that money was to be had in the South and the Southern Regional Council ought probably to--- devote its major effort to obtaining aid from within the region, a point of view-with which general agreement was expressed.

President Williams then went down the list of states, wliciting under--

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takings from representatives of various states present at the meeting as to sums which they thought conservatively could be raised fairly quickly for the Council.

ALABAMA, through Mr. Beittel, Chairman of the Division, stated that a letter like the South Carolina one had gone out to the Alabama members, andthat, while responses had not yet begun to come in, he felt justified in undertaking at least $ 500

FLORIDA had no representative at the meeting. already received 100

GEORGIA was reported as having already raised, ~~through~~ ~~efforts of Morris Abram, Leonard Haas and friends~~ efforts of Morris Abram and Leonard Haas and friends of theirs, approximately $1500. Mr. Griffin, on behalf of the other Board members in Georgia, undertook to find in addition 2,350

of which $150 had already been paid in.

KENTUCKY, through Mr. Tydings, Chairman of the Division, undertook 1,000

MISSISSIPPI had no one present, but reference was made to a recent letter from Mr. H. Brent Schaeffer, Chairman of the Division, stating that he believed ~~that $2,000 that Mississippi could raise by December 15~~ that $2,000 could be raised by December 15. Of that, $150 had already been paid in from the Mississippi Division treasury. Mississippi was put down, at a conservative figure for 1,000

NORTH CAROLINA, through Dr. Guy Johnson, was reported as having already paid in $105. Total sum undertaken, including that paid in, was 2,000

SOUTH CAROLINA, through Mr. J. M. Dabbs, Chairman of the Division, had been regarded as exempt from this effort by reason of a sum in excess of $900 raised in the preceding December and January by a special appeal to its membership in the state. Notwithstanding that, Mr. Dabbs and other South Carolinians present were confident that a total additional sum (inclusive of a lump sum contribution of $250) could be raised amounting to $1,250

TENNESSEE, through Mr. Alfred Mynders, Chairman of the Division, reported several hundred dollars already in hand and undertook a total sum of 1,000

TEXAS, through Mrs. James S. Crate, as Chairman of the Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation (an independent affiliate of the Council) undertook 500

VIRGINIA, through Mr. Paul Williams, undertook 800

LOUISIANA, not represented, was put down by the Executive Director, on the basis of conversations with persons in New Orleans, for 500

TOTAL pledged from State efforts (CHECK) 11,000

President Williams reviewed recent fund-raising activities on his part, and listed sums promised him totalling 3,500. He described other contacts which might probably yield an additional $1,000 or more.

In addition to the pledges from the states, and taking into account only the 3,500 which Mr. Williams had had promised him and another gift promised on behalf of a foundation, the total sum thus pledged

came ~~to~~ conservatively $ to ——— 15,500. ~~(ADD UP) (about $15,500)~~

These undertakings made the Council approximately $8,000 short of the-- $23,500 necessary to see it through the year debt-free. Possible large contributors were mentioned who might assist the Council in clearing off that amount.

In the course of these state undertakings, discussion by Mr. Rainey,--- Miss Wilkins, Dr. Johnson, and Mr. Wright brought out the desirability of Dr.---- Mitchell's attending a meeting once a year in the capital of ea h Southern state- to strengthen the base under the organization; that it was necessary for the Coun - cil during the next few months to find a sustained basis for its work, and that-- some plan of building with a large humber of additional members contributing $10- a year seemed the most likely solution.

After adjournment for luncheon, discussion was resumed.

Mr. Wright said he thought he felt better about the financial situation than at any other recent meeting. Since the Executive Committee meeting on March 21, the Council had raised between $3,200 and $3,500. The pledges made today, he thought, were conservative. He urged that a Finance Committee be established to- follow through with machinery for raising the remaining sums needed.

Mr. Haas, queried as to whether he thought the icrcumstances were now-- such that he could ask the American Jewish Committee for funds, said he thought-- the Council would probably come through the year with $23,500 and that he would-- undertake before the end of the year to approach in person the New York offices-- of this group for money for this year and next. He made it clear, however, that- he contibued to be disturbed by the lack oforganization in the states and wished- a big improvement in this regard.

Mr. Rainey proposed a plan for attaining a goal of approximately 500--- sustaining members in each state who would undertake to continue such contribu--- tions for five years. He thought that if the staff were to give nearly all their

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time during the next eight months to this, it could be done.

Mrs. Hamilton suggest that staff peronnel with this particular skill-- would be required. Possible conflict with the money-raising activities of the--- independent and affiliated interracial committees were indicated. Mrs. Tilly---- thought there would be no conflict in Georgia since the membership of the Georgia Commission was in small towns and the Council's effort would be directed toward-- people who had not ordinarily given to the Georgia committed.

The Executive Director referred to the conditional decision of the----- March 21 Executive Committee meeting to divide all dues fifty-fifty with state--- divisions. In subsequent discussion, the consensus of opinion appeared to be---- that where a drive of this kind put on the ordinary situation would be for the regular $3.00 memberships would be divided fifty-fifty with state divisions, $10 memberships remaining with the Atlanta office except for the return of $1.50 to-- the state treasuries. A suggestion was made that in exploring the matter, the--- various state divisions might choose different bases of division with their------ treasuries. Mr. Tydings, of the Kentucky Division, thought his division would--- rather have allmoney go to the Council and raise their own money separately. Mr. Mynders, of Tennessee, was of the same view.

The possibility of a $2.00 stutdent membership was discussed.

Upon Motion of Mr. ~~Kennedy~~ Haas, seconded by Mr. Wright, it was agreed that- all pledges made at the meeting of April 22 should be in by June 1. Mrs. Crate-- stated that she felt doubtful that all of the Texas money could come in by that-- date.

On motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Hancock, it was agreed that---

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to the Finance Committee be referred all questions in connection with meeting the budget for 1951, with authority to take action not in conflict with the Constitution or with any action taken by the Board at this meeting.

On motion of Mr. Griffin it was agreed that the Executive Committee---- should meet in the first half of June to survey the collection of pledges, the--- then existing financial situation, and determine further action.

~~President Williams appointed~~

President Williams appointed to the Fincnaial Committee Mr. Rainey, Mr. Clement, and Mr. Griffin. Miss Wilkins and Mrs. Hamilton agreed to assist the--- committee from time to time.

Upon motion of Mr. Wright, it was agreed that the Finance Committee, in addition to responsibility for ~~including~~ bringing in the sums pledged today, by given the-- responsibility of preparing for considertain of the June meeting of the Executive Committee a plan for meeting the long-range problem.

Various members expressed the urgent need of the states' reaching the-- origingal goal of $2,000 each.

Upon motion of Mr.. Haas, the Board approved continuance of the work--- and activities of the Council until the June meeting of the Executive Committee.

Mrs. Norma Huff was confirmed as Acting Sec-Treas

Mrs. Tilly referred to the desirability of a Southwide women's meeting-like that last year. Opinion expressed was that this was desirable but that it should be acted upon by the June meeting of the E.C.

Miss Wilkins suggested that the Council draw up a form to promote be--- quests to it, and the Executive Director undertook to seek the assistance of coun - sel on this.

Miss Wilkins spoke in favor of convening the Board more freuqnetly and-reducing it in size, and otherwise altering the governing bodies of the Council,- ~~together to make the responsibilities of the Council more effectively.~~ meet

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Board instructed the Executive Committee to prepare proposed amendments to the by-
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the Board and its time of meeting and ~~on the~~ on a structure more suitable for the Execu-
tive Committee.

Their being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4 P.M.

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Report of the Executive Committee of the Council to the Board of Directors

April 22, 1950

Your Executive Committee has had two meetings since the last meeting of the Board.

These were on February 2 and March 31, 1950.

It will be recalled that the Board in its meeting of November 8, 1949, directed that ~~the~~ the "staff of the Council be given assurance through January 31, 1950, the Executive Committee to meet as early as practicable in 1950 and determine --- etc. --- pick up quote from original report.

At the meeting on February 2, the Committee ~~thoroughly~~ discussed the fund raising efforts under way, canvassed the practicability of further economies in the staff or other expenses of the Council, and undertook a fund raising letter to be signed jointly by Paul Williams, Rufus Clement, and Gordon Hancock. Reports were made to the Committee indicating a current deficit of about $5,000.00 overhanging from 1949. Additional obligations were the loan from the Executive Director of $1500.00, a total accrual of salary for Mr. Byrd until April 1, 1950 amounting to $7,000.00, and a contingent liability to meet expenses for the second covenanted year for the Home Town Self Survey project amounting to $2,600.00. This brought the total obligations of the Council to $16,100.00. Having in mind the contacts made with various foundations and church bodies, the Committee thought it reasonable to expect that additional income would be found in the early months of 1950 of around $20,000. With the regular income of the Council, this forecast an income for the remainder of 1950 of approximately $29,000, against which operating expenses for the remaining eleven months would be $33,000, to which would have to be added the total of

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~~$14,000~~ of ~~accrued or contingent~~ obligations ~~(N.B.: If this total of accrued or contingent obligation should be the same as the previous amount specified ("A", pg. 1), it should be $15,000.)~~

(Continuance through 1950 would discharge the liability for the self-survey project).

The Committee felt it its duty to consider most seriously ~~the amount~~ any such prospective ~~of~~ expenditure in excess of income. Although the Southern Regional Council is a corporation, enjoying limited liability, it was felt that the members of the Board were the ultimate repository of the moral obligation to stand good for the debts which the corporation might incur. Under these circumstances, your Committee authorized the continuance of the Council at its then reduced level of operation until March 31, 1950, notice to be sent to members of the Board that it might be necessary to call you into emergency session on April 22.

On the convening of the Executive Committee on March 31, the financial condition had worsened rather than bettered. Foundation requests from which goodly sums were hoped had been turned down, although small grants had been made here and there, notably from the Phelps-Stokes Fund ($1,000) and the Marshall Field Fund ($2,500). The letter which Mr. Clement and others had sent out had netted a total of about $900.00. Atlanta friends in the American Jewish Committee had pledged about $1,500. The obligation to Mr. Byrd was by his generosity foregone in part, so that the total sum owing to him became $6,000.

Adjustments in staff and other economies reduced the probable operating outgo on the present basis to approximately $2,500 a month.

~~About~~ Over $1,000.00 of the overhanging operating deficit from 1949 had been paid off.

Nevertheless, the Council still faced an operating deficit for the remaining nine months of the year totaling ~~$13,500~~ 12,000, with total obligations in addition of ~~$10,500.00~~ $11,000, making the ~~prospective~~ total indebted- possible

3. (Exec. Comm. Report)

ness in the absence of other funds amount on December 31 to ~~$23,000.00~~ 23,000.

The Committee thought it probable that remaining foundations and church organizations with which contact had been made, plus prospective large individual gifts, would net $5,000.00, thus reducing the prospective deficit to ~~$19,000.00~~ 18,000.* ~~The~~

*This figure is at variance with that reported to the Board in Mr. Williams' memorandum of April 3, which was $18,000.00. The difference is accounted for by ~~an~~ erroneous deduction of the cost of a Board meeting, approximately $1,000.00.

The Committee concluded that the life of the Council hung upon ~~t~~ the raising of Approximately $18,000.00 in a relatively short space of time. It therefore caused the Board members to be notified of the need for such a sum and the possibility of raising it through ~~contrib~~ contributions obtained at the instance of our Board members of $2,000 ~~in~~ in each state. It was thought that three states should be exempted, as explained in the memorandum of April 3.

Accordingly, on April 3,, you were asked to consider the possibility of raising such a sum and, if you ~~had to~~ agreed, to begin, and on April 22 to ~~report~~ decide as to ~~this~~ the plan.

One additional means of raising money was arranged at the meeting of the Executive Committee on March 31. ~~Mr. Clement undertook~~ to write letters to ninety-odd of his friends and ask for their help. These letters duly went out and have netted a total of approximately 920.00. Various other members of the Executive Committee, in addition to Mr. Clement, have exerted themselves greatly to raise funds for the Council.

4. (Exec. Comm. Report)

The Committee, in calling this extraordinary meeting of the Board, has ~~had~~ ~~is of~~ the intent of laying before you the question whether the Council should be continued or should be liquidated. If it is to be continued through 1950, the Committee sees no plan other than the one put before you April 3. ~~If it is to be liquidated, the Committee points to what it considers the moral obligation of the Board to arrange for a settlement of the Council's obligations.~~

For the Executive Committee
Paul D. Wilkins

Amendments to the Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting, February 2, 1950.

The meeting of the Executive Committee on March 31, 1950, directed that the minutes of the meeting of February 2 be amended to show actions taken at that meeting, as follows:

Authorization that the Council operate at its then level through March 31.

Stipulation that the Executive Committee reconvene March 31.

That the Executive Committee inform the Board by letter of its action and caution the Board that it might be necessary to call an emergency meeting on April 22.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

June 10, 1950. 10:00 A.M.

at the Council's Offices 63 Auburn Ave NE, Atlanta

The meeting convened at 10 AmM. The following members of the Executive Committee were present:

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Mr. Paul D. Williams
Miss Josephine Wilkins
Mr. Marion Wright

Others who came in during the course of the meeting were:

John Griffin
Leonard Haas

Staff members present were:

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Mr. Harold Fleming
Mrs. Norma Huff
Miss Beth Rogers
Mrs. Jane Simpson (for a short time)

The invocation was given by Dr. Guy Johnson. At the request of the Committee, and in the absence of Dr. Charles Johnson, Mr. Williams, presided.

Roll call and the reading of the minutes of the previous Board and Executive Committee meetings were dispensed with.

Dr. Mitchell noted that, among actions previously voted, no action had been taken on bequests or on revision of the by-laws.

The question of the size of the Board was discussed. Dr. Mitchell reviewed what had previously been said on the matter. If the Council becomes largely a membership body, there was some feeling that the governing system should be altered and more powers be put into the membership meeting. The membership meeting can (at present ?) overrule actions

of the Board. We have a big Board and a smallish Executive Committee. The thought was that we would be better off with a big Advisory Committee and perhaps a slightly larger Executive Committee.

Mr. Williams: At the annual meeting we should go through the list and find those who have been attending.

Dr. Mitchell: The ones who have not been attending are Trigg, Carter Wesley, Charles Johnson, John Wheeler.

Mr. Wright said that he would like to see the Board reduced in number. The Council is going to have to continue to pay expenses at the Board meetings if we are going to have attendance.

~~Miss Wilkins: It is a contribution~~

Miss Wilkins: Paying their own way could be a contribution. It would show that much more money coming in from the South.

Dr. Mitchell said that it cost about $_____ to have a meeting of the Board.

Miss Wilkins: A body the size of the present Board is not a working body.

Mr. Williams said that the by-laws ~~say how many~~ set a maximum to the number on the Board. One possibility for cutting down the Board would be not to fill vacancies as they come up in the Board.

Dr. Mitchell said that no minimum is set to the size of the Board. There are 19 vacancies on the Board. We could ~~fill them with four~~ appoint, not 19, but four, strategically chosen.

Mr. Wright urged cutting the Board down to seven or nine.

Dr. Mitchell: Josephine's idea is to collaps the Executive Committee of the Board and have in addition an advisory body.

Dr. Johnson thought it would be better to put the matter up to the annual meeting. ~~It will be difficult~~ Not filling vacancies will be difficult because everybody keeps nominating people they want to see on the Board. They

are handing around honors.

Miss Wilkins thought the Board should have not more than seventeen members if it is to be a working Board.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out some of the difficulties involved. Your Board must have white and Negro members; we try to represent the thirteen Southern states, and that makes twenty-six members.

Mr. Williams thought that there might very well be several members from Georgia and North Carolina and one or nobody from Arkansas and Oklahoma since ~~they are~~ those Divisions are newly organized.

~~Miss Wilkins questioned if it was best to have one from each~~

Miss Wilkins: ~~thought~~ Would it be best to have one from each Southern state as members at large. It is good to have a contact from each state on the Board. Some would be white and Some would be Negro.

Dr. Mitchell said that another problem is the State Divisions. We have the problem of ~~rep~~ representing on the governing body the component organizations.

Miss Wilkins mentioned the policy of the League of Women Voters, which gives a great deal of thought to this sort of problem. The League does not consider it sound to have presidents of organizations on the Board, though they are alsways invited to attend the Board meeting.

Dr. Mitchell: We ought to have a main governing body not to exceed seventeen persons, ~~in addition, we should~~ and in addition a bigger advisory body.

Mr. Williams suggested that the advisory committee come to the ~~[illegible]~~ meetings if they want to, but at their own expense. The Board will be smaller and their expenses will be paid. ~~[illegible]~~ We should try to select them so that they will feel intimate to the Council.

Miss Wilkins: One way to do it is to enlarge the Executive Committee and make it the Board. ~~They~~ you can have an administrative group of people in

and around the office that could meet without expenses, and a larger Executive Committee who would meet more often. We would pay their expenses. Adding a few more to the present Executive Committee and let that be the Board. The administrative group could be called together when Dr. Mitchell wanted it and Dr. Mitchell, as administrator, would be head of the administrative group. The administrative group could be authorized to act for the Board but should not take up policy.

Mr. Wright thought it would be difficult to keep that distinction clear in everyone's mind.

Miss Wilkins: The administrative group would have nothing but administrative power unless authorized specifica power in a specific instance.

Dr. Mitchell: We will bring this before the Board.

Miss Wilkins thought that, while seventeen is considered a working Board, because the Council has a south-wide spread the Board could have a few more; some will not come to every meeting anyway.

Mr. Williams suggested a Board of 21.

Dr. Mitchell: We will bring it before the September meeting.

Mr. Williams: The idea is to have an advisory committee that would be window dressing. The members could come to the annual meeting at their own expense. They will get the literature. They can advise us.

Mr. Wright proposed revisions of the by-laws setting the maximum number on the Board of Directors at seventeen, the Board to be authorized each year to designate an Executive Committee of such number and composition as it shall determine, and in addition to designate an administrative body of such number as it shall determine, not to make policy.

Miss Wilkins: The Board should feel responsible and meet often enough to feel integrated. There could be an Executive Committee

in addition to the Board.

Mr. Williams: Once a year is not enough meetings.

Miss Wilkins: What about this: A working Board that met often enough to feel responsibility and carry the load, the officers of which would constitute the Executive Committee with authority to appoint alternates. Alternates could be appointed in and around Atlanta. The alternate would have to be appointed by the person whom he represented.

Dr. Mitchell: The members would use the alternate device too often.

Miss Wilkins agreed & withdrew her suggestion.

Miss Wilkins: The officers could constitute the Executive Committee, not to be called toggther exeept in an emergency. It would be a small meeting and would not be a great expense. Logically, the officers ought to be the Executive Committee.

Dr. Johnson: Are four officers enough for the Executive Committee? Some don't come to meetings.

Miss Wilkins: The problem is the personnel of the officers.

Mr. Williams: How do you go about telling the Board this without offending them?

Dr. Mitchell thought there would be no problem, that it would be all right with the Board. They should be notified before the membership meeting. This year we confront a situation when a good number of the Board will have exhausted their two terms. We don't want to lose them; a good thing would be to put them on an advisory committee.

Miss Wilkins: With one meeting a year the Board can't do anything but advise anyway, But if they had responsibility resting on them. I think they would be relieved to have this done.

The Executive director undertook to circulate the proposal to the

Board.

Mr. Haas: How many outside of Atlanta are really interested in the Council?

Miss Wilkins: People become interested after they really participate. The reason they are interested in and around Atlanta is that they have given some blood to it.

Dr. Johnson: I think something could be said for not having the window dressing at all.

Mrs. Tilly: If you go into a state to organize, it is helpful if you have somebody in the state they know.

Mr. Wright moved that the Secretary be requested to propose that the Board change the by-laws with a view toward reducing the Board membership and _____

The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Williams: That is to come up at the next meeting.

The executive director was then asked to report on recent activities of the Council. He stated that the Council had been worrying more than it had been working, but that one important project, the Greenville Survey, had been completed. Mrs. Simpson, called in to report on the survey, told of the meeting which had been held in Greenville three weeks before to consider the report. She read the letter from the President of the Community Council to Dr. Mitchell. The Greenville Committee bought 1600 copies of the report. A very good editorial had appeared in the Greenville paper concerning the report; this was read to the Committee members.

The Council has mailed out the report with a letter to all Community Councils in the South and will be followed up with another letter. Some of

the towns want to do a survey. The New York Herald Tribune did a story on the survey. ~~Dr. Mitchell~~

Dr. Mitchell told of the AP story which tied up the survey with the lynching which occurred three years ago in Greenville; one South Carolina paper was offended at the story.

Mrs. Tilly told something about the survey at Augusta, Georgia, on Negro education. It grew out of the Georgia Interracial Committee, though no one from the Committee went there for the survey. If someone had, the Committee could have claimed credit for the survey,

Mr. Williams discussed his contacts with the National Conference of Christians and Jews on their proposed co-sponsorship of a survey at Rock Hill, South Carolina. He had interested members of the ~~Community~~ Commission on Community Organization of the NCCJ, of which he was in the past a member, in finding some money to help finance a Rock Hill survey. The people at Rock Hill had already moved toward having a survey of the Negro community, though final ~~approval has not~~ action has not been taken. The executive director has thought that if the NCCJ can be persuaded to give ~~$500~~ their grant with the understanding that it is to be as much a local project as possible, that something can be worked out with Rock Hill, since the people there are a little sensitive and want the project to be on the same basis as the Greenville one -- a local undertaking. Mr. Williams thought that if NCCJ can be given a credit line in the final published findings and some other similar publicity, they will be willing to go along on that basis.

~~It was decided that Mrs. Simpson should attend the annual meeting of the Commission on Community Organization on June 19 to present the matter to the meeting and tell them about the Greenville Survey.~~

Paul Williams suggested that Mrs. Simpson should attend the annual meeting of the Commission on Community Organization to give a report on the Rock Hill survey as something the Commission had helped on; that would give

them a little publicity about that.

It was decided that Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Tilly would got to the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Commission on Community Organization of the NCCJ on June 19 to present the matter ~~for~~ of the Rock Hill Survey to the Committee.

Mr. Wright suggested that if someone went to Greenville and called on some of those involved in the Survey, it might be possible to get some money for the Council. He said that if Mr. Dabbs would go, he would be glad to ~~will~~ go with him.

Mrs. Simpson: Mrs..Hattie Duckett got some omney this week from people there.

Dr. Mitchell is to write Mr. Dabbs and Marion Wright will be glad to meet him at Greenville. Mrs. Spearman could really do a better job of getting money than Mr. Dabbs.

Dr. Mitchell: I could ask somebody there to arrange a meeting to which Mr. Wright, Mr. Dabbs, and Mrs. Spearman would come.

Mr. Wright undertook to write Mrs. Spearman. Mrs. Simpson suggested that Mrs. C. C. Withington would be helpful.

Dr. Mitchell told about George McMillan, who has a contract with Life Magazine to do a story on the Council, centering on the executive director.

Mrs. Tilly told of the difficulties with ~~the~~ Governor Talmadge over the appointment of Negro delegates from Georgia to the White House Conference on Children and Youth. If no Negro delegates are appointed, the Georgia report will be accepted with reservations, as not representing the needs of Negro children fairly. Pressure is being brought on the governor, and some newepaper stories are being readied for use during the next week.

Mrs. Tilly told about the article on the Fellowship of the Concerned

being prepared for Collier's magazine by Helena Huntington Smith.

The Fellowship of the Concerned is growing. Mrs. Tilly has made contact with the women in South Georgia, and she was going to New Orleans on the following Sunday. The Council has hopes of organizing a Louisiana Division at the New Orleans meeting.

She briefly described a survey in Kentucky, a prospective survey in Columbia South Carolina and another in Camden, South Carolina, where the mayor is interested.

Mrs. Tilly and Paul Williams had seen several people in Washington on a recent trip:

George Weaver said there was no hope of any money directly from the CIO, but that some could probably be got from the Sidney Hillman Foundation. This has to be worked several ways; Mr. Weaver can work it one way, John Lancey has just been elected to head an organization of white collar workers. Mr. Weaver said to ask for not less than $5,000.

Dr. Mitchell told of writing the Sidney Hillman Foundation. He was told that the budget was used up for this year but that he should write again to ask for a grant for next year.

Mrs. Tilly said that Paul Sifton was hopeful that he could get $1,000 from Walter Reuther.

She and Mrs. Williams went to see Green but were unable to see him. They saw Mordecai Johnson.

They saw Oscar Ewing, head of the Mellon Foundation. Mr. Williams is to see Ewing again later.

Ga. Committee: Mrs Tilly told of her trips to Claxton and Eastman.

Mrs. Tilly told of the meeting in Fulton county of the Georgia Committee to study church fellowship. A committee, consisting of Dr. Mackey, Dr. Mays, Mr. Perkins, and Dr. Mitchell, was appointed to work out an obsergance of Race Relations Sunday. Dr. Mackey proposed that twelve

leading churches invite a Negro speaker for that Sunday, the thought being that when one church takes such a step, a great stir is caused; if twelve do it, there is less alarm.

Dr. Mitchell told of delivering the commencement address at Tuskegee Inst itute and told something about what he said.

When the Supreme Court decisions came out recently, the Council was called by the Associated Press for a statement. Dr. Mitchell tried to get Mr. Williams by telephone to advise with him, but was unable to reach him. He then called one of the members of the Board in Atlanta to discuss his statement. The statement was read to the Executive Committee and general approval was given by the members.

Dr. Johnson reported that he had been asked by a Detroit paper to write an article on Negro progress in the South.

Mr. Fleming said that the piece on African students which appeared in the March New South was written up in the New York Times, and that the Times had carried one or two other stories.

New Business

Dr. Mitchell told of the editorials condemning the Genocide Convention which appeared in the New Orleans _____. A statement explaining the meaning of the Convention has been prepared by the American Association for the United Nations, and Dr. Mitchell proposed sending it out to the fellows and officers of State Divisions. Mr. Haas questioned whether this was not political activity, or dangerously close to it. After some discussion, it was agreed that Dr. Mitchell should send a select list of names to the AAUN rather than for the Council itself to mail out the material.

Appointment of Standing Committees

Dr. Mitchell suggested that the Committee on Membership and Committee on Nominations for Executive Committee be [redacted]

held in abeyance pending action on reorganization of the Board.

Miss Wilkins withdrew from the Committee on Resolutions. Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton was named to the vacancy. The Committee on Resolutions therefore consists of:

Marion Wright
Dr. Gordon Hancock
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton

It was proposed that the two other committees be appointed and notified that their work may be subject to change according to the motion and action at the next Executive Committee meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Dr. Johnson, it was voted that the three committees be retained, with the change noted in the Resolutions Committee.

The membership of the two other committees is as follows:

Standing Committee of Membership to Nominate for Vacancies on the Board of Directors

Chairman Mrs. Hortense Young, Kentucky
Caroline Gillespie, South Carolina
Emerson Smith, Virginia
Dr. E. B. Perry, Texas
Mrs. C. B. Smith, Tennessee

Standing Committee of Board Members to Nominate for Vacancies on Executive Committee

Chairman John Griffin
Gordon Hancock
Mrs. James S. Crate

At this point, the meeting adjourned for luncheon. The Committee reconvened at 1 P.M.

Dr. Mitchell asked for suggestions of people to fill Vacancies on the Board, even though no action could be taken on them.

Mrs. Tilly: We need a Methodist person to keep Methodist money.

Marion Wright suggested E. C. Wall, of South Carolina.

Mr. Williams: Paul Mellon, if he comes through with money. He is now a citizen of Virginia. He has been appointed by the Governor to the Board of Visitors of VPI.

Louis Straus, member of the Atomic Energy Commission. He is retiring from most of his activities. He is a resident of Virginia. He was secretary to Herbert Hoover during Mr. Hoover's work in Europe. He has been affiliated with the right causes.

Mr. Wright: R. Beverly Herbert, a lawyer in South Carolina. He was preident of the South Carolina Committee and was on record for the Booth Amendment in Virginia for no segregation on common carriers.

Mr. Williams: Webster Rhoads, head of the department store, Miller and Rhoads in Richmond.

Mr. Wright: Mrs. A. B. Stoney of North Carolina should be approached for a contribution.

Mr. Griffin: William Hepburn in Alabama.

Miss Wilkins: Judge Blanton Fortson.

Mr. Wright: What about Negro business men?

Mr. Williams: There is a Negro contractor in New Orleans who was written up in Fortune. I will dig his name out.

Miss Wilkins:asked what had been done about the idea for using the Town Meeting of the Air for the annual meeting. Mr. Williams said that he would be glad to explore the idea in New York.

Mr. Mitchell said that virgin territory for the meeting would enable the Council to pick up more members. Mr. Williams said he would like to see the meeting held in other cities in alternate years. Miss Wilkins suggested Richmond, as having a good press.

Upon motion of Dr. Johnson, it was voted that next year's annual meeting be held in Atlanta.

The Secretary-Treasurer then gave a report on finances since the April 22 meeting of the Board.

WHAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED FROM NORMA'S REPORT?

Dr. Mitchell ~~listed the State~~ went through the list of State Divisions and their pledges, estimating what he ~~considered~~ thought were the possibilities for completion of the pledges.

State	Pledge	
Alabama	$500.00	Will meet pledge
Kentucky	1,000.00	" " in the Fall
Mississippi		Do not know, but will do more than have done
~~South Carolina~~		
Tennessee	1,000.000	Seem to have stalled at this point. Will probably get as much as $900.
Texas	500.00	Will complete. If they do not get it in contributions, will take the balance out of the treasury.
Louisiana	500.00	Will meet pledge, and get an additional $200.

South Carolina has done a remarkable job. Though the Board thought the state ~~should be exempted from the State effort because it~~ had been thoroughly canvassed, and should be exempt from the State effort, ~~nearly~~ $_____ has come in. The people there have gone up and down the streets of small towns ~~and gotten~~ and got five or ten dollar contributions from small merchants and anybody else who will give. Their contributions range anywhere from twenty-five cents up.

Mr. Williams reported on Virginia, which he said would come through. Dr. Hancock and he will canvass twenty people in Richmond. ~~They~~ Virginia can be put

down for $1,000. before the September meeting.

Mrs. Huff promised to make a list of individual contributors for the State heads.

Dr. Johnson reported on North Carolina. A meeting of the North Carolina Board members had been planned, but could not be arranged because of conflicting schedules of members. Dr. Johnson sent to all Board members a copy of a letter he himself had sent to friends, gave them literature, and had a special card mimeographed for the campaign. Each Board member was urged to see at least one person who could make a sizeable contribution and at least 25 who could give $10. No report had as yet been received on receipts from this effort.

Another factor which has slowed up the State effort in North Carolina is the Graham campaign, which will continue to interfere because of the run-off.

He named a number of wealthy North Carolina men who are being, or will seen. Spencer Love will probably be good for some more. His father died three weeks ago, and so he will not be contacted for some time. Mr. George Watts Hill has been sick; Dr. Odum is to see him. Mr. Harry Straus has been ill; he is to be seen when he is better.

Dr. Mitchell thought that Mississippi would send in $500 more than is now down for them. He thought that another $800 would be available in North Carolina, but not until after the Graham campaign.

Totals so far on the new estimate: Josephine Wilkins -- $3332.66

Dr. Mitchell -- ~~$2668~~ $2668.00

Mr. Griffin reported on the Georgia effort. The total raised so far is $1,155.00. The following additional amounts were certain:

Philip Shulhafer	$100
Alex Miller	50
Herman Heyman	50
Julian Bame	50
	$250

The total may come to $350.

Miss Wilkins: Another $100 is sure, from me.

Mr. Griffin calculated that $2,155 altogether would come from Georgia. A letter has gone out to the 300 members in Georgia.

Miss Wilkins: Lester (Persells ?) is also expecting to get $100.

Mr. Griffin proposed another, or perhaps two more, letters to the general Georgia membership.

Mr. Haas asked if the Coca-Cola people had been approached. Mr. Williams said that he had had a long talk with Robert Troutman, with no results.

The totals now stood at $5100 already in. A possible total, with these other sums, of $9,170 in round numbers. The total pledged by the states was $11,000.

Mrs. Tilly asked if anything could be done in Florida by the use of letters. Dr. Mitchell mentioned the prospect in Florida of a gift of $500 or $1,000 from the head of a paper company there.

Other prospects mentioned were the following:

Dr Mitchell -- $2,500 from Marshall Field for a special project.

Mrs. Tilly -- from Methodist groups -- $1,000 from one and $750 from the Home Missions Board, and $300 or $400 from jurisdiction.

Mr. Haas -- Morris Abram's wife is from Florida. Her father is a lawyer. Miss Wilkins suggested he be put on the Board of the advisory group.

Paul Williams -- Read letter from Cardinal Stritch. We can bank on $500, perhaps $1,000.

J Johnson and Johnson gave us $1,000 last year. They got the Council confused with the Southern Conference for Human Welfare and reduced the $10,000 they had originally promised. We will go back to them for more in view of the reduced gift.

George McCormick, Baltimore. Confident we will get some. Last year gave us $250. Mr. Williams thinks it can be on an annual basis.

John Yancy thought we would have a good chance with the Wieboldt Foundation in Chicago; they would go along with us on what we are doing.

Mr. Williams is following through on the UAW, Textile Workers, and will go back to the Hillman Foundation.

Mr. Williams asked for the opinion of the Committee on whether he should see the Hiram Walker people, The Committee, after discussion, approved, and Mr. Williams will go to Detroit or Peoria to talk to them in late July or August.

The Secretary-Treasurer then went over the current liabilities account.

Miss Wilkins: We will need $12,500 to go through October 1 at $2500 a month, with current liabilities at $14,772.45. If we got $ 10,000 we'd approach the annual meeting with Dr. Mitchell and Mr. Byrd not paid. If we can get $17,272, we would be clear on current liabilities.

Dr. Mitchell: I figure that we have coming $9,750, not including the amounts which are only possibilities. Conservatively, we can list $6,250.

Mr. Griffin ~~described the "50 for '51" campaign~~ pointed out that while the effort for this year is continuing, the "50 for '51" campaign will be inaugurated at the same time, and that The two are bound to conflict to a degree. We cannot put aside everything that is taken in between now and October for ~~us~~ this year.

The Committee next turned to the report on the Greenville Survey. The funds for the Home Town Self-Survey are about exhausted. The NCCJ contribution if it comes will ease the burden of carrying the whole Survey project. We can also go back to the person who gave the original $3,000 and ask for more.

The "50 for '51" campaign was described. It is an effort to decentralize responsibility. ~~[illegible]~~ The Council has had a few people who will take responsibility and will talk to other people. This campaign is an attempt to ~~[illegible]~~ get fifty people in each state to get ten people at $10 each, or $100, in some other way. A man who is asked for $500 or $250 but cannot give it can be urged to give ~~[illegible]~~ $10 and ask ten friends to do the same.

Miss Wilkins suggested getting a small unit in each state to take the responsibility for the campaign.

Dr. Mitchell asked for suggestions as to how to get the fifty in each state. Dr. Johnson suggested going through the membership lists and picking out old faithful's. Dr. Mitchell said we would also go though Mr. Byrd's files and would call on the American Jewish Committee.

Mr. Wright suggested that the money be earmarked for 1951 as it comes in. Miss Wilkins suggested further that if money is needed to pay current expenses, it be borrowed from the 1951 amount and that accounting records be so kept.

Dr. Johnson suggested that the "50 for '51" campaign be delayed until January, After some discusseion it was decided that it should start in September, and that the summer be used to select the people to head the campaign in each state and get the literature into their hands. Mr. Haas thought that pledges could be secured ahead of time and that if the money is needed for 1950, the pledgers be asked to anticipate their pledge.

Dr. Mitchell said that expert fund raising people say that people should be lined up in May and come back to in September.

Miss Wilkins: Don't hold up getting people set up, but we should hold up on getting money. A three-month span is good. The fall or the last part of the year is a good time for getting money, because the Council is tax exempt.

Dr. Mitchell said that he wanted each state to handly its own mechanics; his job would be to contact the chairman.

Dr. Mitchell brought up the question of division of dues. The Committee agreed at the last meeting to split dues fifty-fity with State Divisions, and three classes of dues were established. Of the ten-dollar membership, Dr. Mitchell had thought that $3.00 should go back to the state. He asked for opinions on this. In response to a question by Mr. Griffin, he said that it cost about $2.00 to handle a membership.

Miss Wilkins said that if fifty per cent of the basic membership -- that is, $1.50 -- went back to the State Division, the State actually getting $3.50 out of each membership.

Mrs. Tilly pointed out that the division of dues is of no particular interest to individual members. The division of dues needs to be explained only

to the officers.

Dr. Mitchell thought that in the long run the thing most needed is active State programs.

Mrs. Tilly: thought that all of the state committees would say "go ahead and spend the money; we don't need it." She thought that the Council should send the $1.50 back, but no more.

Mr. Williams pointed out that at this time the question is one of survival. These other considerations are long range.

Mr. Wright thought that he recalled an agreement signed between the Council and South Carolina that a certain amount would be returned to the State. It was agreed that the matter should be looked into, and that the office would check whether similar agreements had been signed with other States. Mr. Wright was sure that South Carolina would be glad to amend any agreement it had.

Dr. Mitchell said that he had sent to all State Divisions copies of the proposal made at the last meeting about the dues. We will have to send an amendment saying we abolish all classes of memberships except the basic membership, and the sustaining membership.

Mr. Wright agreed with Dr. Mitchell that $3.00 should go back to the States. He pointed out that the Tuberculosis Association stresses in its campaign the fact that of each dollar collected, eighty cents is spent in the local community.

Dr. Mitchell proposed that of the $10 membership, $3.00 should go back to the State. Miss Wilkins suggested that the Council add that an addition $2.00 in service also goes back to the State.for each membership. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that if that amount goes back to the State the campaign can become one to increase activities in the State.

After some discussion the motion was made and passed that the responsibility for determining the matter should be left with the three members of the Finance Committee, with the note that this represents the thinking of the Executive Committee. The Finance Committee and the Executive Director were empowered to act on it.

Dr. Mitchell noted further that Texas, Virginia, and Georgia would draw the whole ten dollars.

Other Business

Miss Wilkins moved that the Committee officially express its thanks to the Finance Committee. Motion was passed.that this should be incorporated into the minutes.

Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting was voted as Saturday, September 9, with September 16 as an alternate date.

There being no futher business,
/ On motion of Mr. Haas, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50/

Respy submitted,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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MEMORANDUM

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TO: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

FROM: GEORGE S. MITCHELL

Your Executive Director has spent some time in reviewing the by-laws, having in mind the possibility of making organizational changes. It will be recalled that the last two meetings of the Executive Committee have requested that this matter be explored.

If it is desired to go forward with this proposal, a possible plan is outlined below.

Cease to have a Board of Directors.

Cease to have an Executive Committee.

Substitute for both a single Executive Board.

Members of the Executive Board might be the President and the four Vice-Presidents of the Council, ex officio, with voice and vote, plus fourteen members elected by the annual membership meeting. The Executive Director and Associate Executive Director should be expected to attend meetings of the Executive Board and should have voice but not vote and should not count toward a quorum.

It would be well to provide for automatic replacement for members of the Executive Board. A suggested method would be to elect two in the first instance to a one-year term, four to a two-year term, four to a three-year term, and four to a four-year term. That gives the fourteen elected

members, staggered, plus the officers, who are also annually elected by the membership. Such an Executive Board should meet quarterly.

Quorum for the Executive Board might be fixed at either nine or seven.

The estimated expense on an annual basis of travel for a quorum of nine would be $1,080, which is approximately the annual cost of travel to the single annual meeting of the Board of Diredtors. Thus the saving effected would be the cost of three meetings of the present Executive Committee, which may be figured at $500 or $600.

So far as I can see, by-laws setting up this structure would be perfectly compatible with the charter of the corporation. Under the charter, a majority of members of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., may amend its by-laws, and, indeed, its charter, either in form or in substance.

In my judgment, the Council, if it adopted such a plan, should provide additionally for a large advisory body. We have many interests who have customarily been represented. Potential contributors to the Council scan very closely the long list of members of the Board of Directors and are the more generously inclined when they recognize names of persons prominent in their own church or profession or other interest group.

I would suppose that an Advisory Committee of about fifty would do that job. It should be convened from time to time upon call of the President.

Suggested amendments of the by-laws, being amendments which would accomplish these changes, are submitted herewith.

Present ~~Old~~ By-Laws

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Proposed New By-Laws

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Election and powers. The business and property of the ~~corp~~ corporation, except as otherwise provided by statute, by the charter, or by these by-laws, shall be conducted and managed by its Board of Directors, all members of which shall be actually residing within ~~the~~ the Council area, whose actions shall be subject to revision and alteration at the next meeting of the members, provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. The President, the Vice Presidents, the Exectuvie Director, and the Associate Executive Director shall be ex-officia members of the Board of Directors.

etc.

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ARTICLE IV. EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. Election and powers. The business and property of the corporation, except as otherwise provided by statute, by the charter, or by these by-laws, shall be conductd and managed by its Executive Board, all members of which shall be actually residing within the Council area, whose actions shall be subject to revision and alteration at the next meeting of the members, provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. The President and the Vice Presidents shall shall be ex-officio members of the Executive Board, and the Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director shall not be members, though unless the Executive Board at any meeting rules otherwise, they shall be present at meetings with the right to speak. All members shall be eleced at the membership meeting adopting these byplaws. Of the fourteen members other than officers, two shall be chosen for a term of one year, four for a term of two years, four for a term of three years, and four for a term of four years. The Executive Board shall keep full and fair account of its transactions.

All replacements shall be for four year terms. No member shall serve more than eight years consecutively.

Section 2. Regular Meetings. The Board of Directors shall meet immediately prior to each meeting of ~~the~~ the members of the corporation and again following such meeting of the corporation, at such time and place as may be designated by the President.

Section 2. Regular Meetings. The Executive Board shall meet quarterly at such dates as it may fix.

Section 3. Additional Regular Meetings. In addition to the first regular meeting, regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on such dates as may be fixed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors.

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Section 4. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held whenever called by the President or as may be provided by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Executive Board shall be called by the President or by any five members of the Executive Board.

Section 5. Place of Meetings. Subject to the provision of Section 2 of this Article IV, the Board of Directors shall hold its regular and special meetings at such place or places within or without the State of Georgia as it may from time to time determine. In the absence of any such determination, such regular and special meetings of the Bord of Directors shall be held at the main office of the corporation in Atlanta.

Section 4. Place of Meetings. The Executive Board shall hold its regular and etc. - same as old Section 5.

Section 6. Notice of Meetings.

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Like Sec. 6 except substitute Executive Board for Board of Directors

Section 7. Quorum. Fifteen members of the Board of Directors shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at every etc.

Section 6. Quorum. Seven members of the Executive Board shall be necessary etc. like old Sec. 7, except make usual substitutions

Section 8. Vacancies. In case of .....

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Same as old Sec. 8 except make usual substitutions.

Also: Kill final sentence of old section: The Board of Directors may fill any vacancy created by an increase in the number of Directors.

Section 9. Removal. At any meet- ....

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Same as old Sec. 9.

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Section 2. Meetings of Executive Committee. The Executive Committee ...

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Section 4. Other Committees. The Board of Directors may by resolution provide for such other standing or special committees as it deems desirable and may discontinue the same at pleasure. Each such committee shall have such powers and perform such duties, not inconsistent with these by-laws, as may be assigned to it by the Board of Directors. If provision be made for any such committee, the members thereof shall be appointed by the Board of Directors. Vacancies in such committees shall be filled by the Board of Directors, or by such committee or officer as the Board may authorize to fill such vacancies.

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The Executive Board shall appoint an Advisory Council of fifty (50) members which may be convened as occasion may require upon the call of the Executive Board.

Members of the Advisory Council shall serve for four-year terms and may be re-elected for successive terms not to exceed three.

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

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Section 1. Executive Officers. The executive officers of the corporation shall be a President, not more than four Vice Presidents, an Executive Director ... etc.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of Georgia Members of Board of Directors

Wed., Aug. 23, 1950, 2 P.M., in Bishop Arthur J. Moore's conference room

The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. John A. Griffin	Mr. Glenn W. Rainey
Mr. Morris Abram	Mr. Harry V. Richardson
Mr. Leonard Haas	Miss Josephine Wilkins

Staff members present were:

Dr. George S. Mitchell	Mrs. Norma Huff
Mr. Harold C. Fleming	Miss Beth Rogers

Mr. Griffin, Chairman of the Georgia 50 for '51 campaign, presided.

Dr. Mitchell brought before the group for advice a letter he had received the day before from Mr. Rowland Watts of the Workers Defense League, advising that the Council might receive a grant from The National Sharecropper Fund if application were made for such a grant. After discussion, it was agreed that Morris Abram should telephone a friend on the board of the Workers Defense League for information about present personnel of NSF; and that, if the group appeared to be responsible and dependable, application should be made for a grant, with the stipulation that any material mentioning the Council going out to the NSF mailing list should conform with the strategy of SRC and should be cleared with us.

The meeting then turned to a consideration of Georgia's 50 for '51 campaign.

Mr. Rainey sketched the purpose of the campaign: to secure in each Southern State fifty people who would be responsible during 1951 for raising or giving $100, or, preferably, getting ten new members who would join at ten dollars each.

It was recalled that at the last meeting of the Finance Committee there was discussion of getting all Georgia members of the Council together. That can be done, but it was felt that the present meeting of Board members had to come first.

Regarding the problem of giving the membership a sense of participation in the campaign, the question was raised as to whether responsibility should rest on the Board members or on the membership as a whole. It was agreed that at present it would be simpler to have the Board members take first initiative in the campaign.

It was proposed that a committee of Board members or leading Council members in each sizable city should be set up to work on the campaign there.

The problem of raising money in the Negro community was discussed, and Dr. Mitchell said that he would discuss the matter of reaching Negro professional people with Mrs. Grace Hamilton and Mr. L. D. Milton.

The meeting decided that, though the leaflets about the 50 for '51 campaign stated that all money should be in by January 1, 1951, in practice the entire year would be allowed for the money to come in.

The rest of the meeting was spent in going through the list of Georgia members, to determine who might be called on to take the respon-

sibility for getting either $100 or ten new ten-dollar members, and to decide who among Board members or those present at the meeting should be asked to approach them on the subject.

Mr. Griffin undertook to write each Board member not present at the meeting, sending him a report of the meeting and requesting him to sign up personally as one of the fifty to participate in the campaign.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of the Executive Committee - November 7, 1950 — 10 A.M.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council met in the Club Room of the Phyllis Wheatley Branch of the Y.W.C.A., 599 Tatnall Street, ~~N.W.~~ S.W., Atlanta, ~~Georgia~~ Ga., November 7, 1950. The meeting was called to order by Paul D. Williams, President of the Council, at 10:00 A.M.

The following members were present: Guy B. Johnson, Msgr. T. James McNamara, Harold L. Trigg, John H. Wheeler, Paul D. Williams, and Marion A. Wright.

Mrs. James S. Crate and Mr. R. D. Wellons, members of the Board of Directors, also attended.

Staff members present were: Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Norma Huff, George S. Mitchell, Elizabeth Rogers, and Mrs. M. E. Tilly.

The invocation was given by Msgr. McNamara.

On motion of Mr. Wright, duly seconded,

1. IT WAS VOTED that, the minutes of the previous meeting having been properly circulated, reading of the minutes be dispensed with.

In the absence of Dr. Charles Johnson, Chairman of the Executive Committee, Mr. Williams took the chair.

Mr. Williams read the Report of the Executive Committee to the Board of Directors. (See ~~attached~~ Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting.)

On motion of Mr. Wright, duly seconded,

2. IT WAS VOTED that the Report be adopted as the Report of the Executive Committee to the Board.

At the suggestion of Mr. Williams, and on motion of Mr. Trigg, duly seconded,

3. IT WAS VOTED that formal business be dispensed with, and that the meeting adjourn for informal discussion until the time of the Board of Directors meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
NOVEMBER 7, 1950

Your Committee met three times: on February 2, March 31, and June 10. We have had a number of rather important decisions to make.

At the February meeting, the Executive Committee took note of the Board's action in November, 1949, which had authorized the continuance of the reduced staff through January 31, the further course to be determined by the Executive Committee. In February we took responsibility for extending the work of the Council through March 31, but cautioned Board members that it might be necessary to summon them for an extraordinary meeting. On March 31, it appeared that the Council would have at the end of 1950 a gross indebtedness of some $18,000, and the Board was called to decide upon a course of action.

The Board meeting of April 22 devised a plan of State campaigns, under which $11,000 was pledged. Other amounts of which members felt virtually certain raised the prospective extra income to $15,500, and the Board thereupon authorized continuance until June, giving the Executive Committee responsibility for canvassing the situation at that time. At the June meeting, the efforts of the various States had brought in $5,000, and the Committee felt that additional sums which might reasonably be expected would warrant continuance through October.

The Committee was unable to convene a quorum in September or October, but President Williams requested that plans for the Annual Meeting be made by a local committee of Board members. Glenn Rainey, John Griffin, and Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton served most helpfully in this capacity.

From time to time during the year your Finance Committee has met.

It will lay before you plans for further fund-raising activities.

The Committee at its March meeting regretfully accepted the resignation of Mrs. Agnes McKoy, as Secretary-Treasurer, and appointed in her stead Mrs. Norma Huff, as Acting Secretary-Treasurer.

We have given considerable attention during the year to the possibility of some reorganization of the governing bodies of the Council. Opportunity will be afforded in this meeting for discussion of proposals.

While it has been a difficult year, we have been pleased to see the earnest and sacrificing support which the Council can have for the stirring up.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles S Johnson
Chairman

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STATEMENT ON REPRESENTATION ON POLICY BOARDS

Discriminations long taken for granted in the South are today yielding their bitter harvest. The Southern states are discovering that equal opportunity -- as defined not only in the U. S. Constitution, but also in their own laws and constitutions -- is expensive and difficult of achievement. They are learning just how unequal our "separate but equal" facilities are, in health, education, housing, recreation, and scores of other public services. Under the pressure of court action, they are discovering that the time is rapidly running out when postponement and token approaches to equalization will suffice.

The problem is talked about in terms of dollars and cents; repairing the neglect of generations is a costly business. But, as the Southern Regional Council has repeatedly pointed out, the problem is a material one -- and something more. The South has an old unpaid debt to its Negro citizens: to reward patience, service, and loyalty with recognition of full citizenship status. This debt will not be satisfied merely by bestowing upon the Negro population increased benefits long overdue (although that is an end far from attainment).

As Dr. Benjamin Mays declared recently in NEW SOUTH: "There is a growing conviction among Negroes that if one racial group makes all the laws and administers them, holds all the power and administers it, and has all the public money and distributes it, it is too much to expect that group to deal as fairly with the weak, minority, non-participating group as it deals with its own."

What is needed is a shift from paternalism to democracy. Negroes should have full and fair representation on policy-making and administrative bodies. These would include, of course, boards and commissions governing the whole range of public services. But the need today is of special urgency in the field of education.

In county after county over the South, Federal courts have ruled, or are being asked to rule, that equal school facilities must be provided for Negro children without delay. School boards and other public officials are anxiously examining their budgets and making belated starts at improvement. A few politicians, more interested in votes than in progress, are shouting defiance at the courts and seeking to incite the public to anger. Other spokesmen have taken on the futile task of justifying and explaining away the inequalities which are too plain to be denied. Still others, while deploring existing discriminations, deplore even more the f filing of law suits demanding correction.

Such protestations are neither justified nor constructive. In view of the long record of evasion and inaction, it is hardly surprising that Negroes are turning with increasing frequency to the courts for the remedy to old injustices. That is a lawful and accepted procedure in our democracy, and should not cause dismay or indignation. On the contrary, it should cause some honest self-examination. School suits, by and large, are the fruits of bad faith. There is every reason to believe that the Negro plaintiffs, like the defendants, would prefer a less expensive and more cooperative method of reaching agreement. The best way to achieve that is for Negroes to have a voice in the policy-making which determines the quality of education children are to receive.

Much attention is being focused just now on the attainment of two equal school systems. Who is to say what is equal? In past experience, our only arbiter on that is the courts. And the briefs prepared for the courts by contending parties inevitably stress the mathematics of equality: How many desks, of what model, at what cost, on how many square feet of floor space, for how many white pupils, as compared with how many of each of these for how many Negro pupils. And ultimately, a court must state a formula -- a number.

However, true equality is not static arithmetic. It is a running matter. It requires trustworthy day-to-day administration. How can that be contrived? The only answer is representation of all parties on the important policy boards. If we are to have flexibility and order and understanding in the conduct of our school system in the South, we must build a system of school administration which all concerned can believe in.

In places where boards of education are elective rather than appointive, it is up to qualified Negro persons to seek the office. It need hardly be pointed out that no representation can be effective unless it honestly expresses the feelings of the group represented. In places where boards of education are appointive, public officials will be tempted to appoint persons whose compliance and readiness to please would make for easy agreement. But such appointments will not accomplish their purpose. True agreement -- particularly in a matter as sensitive and important as educational opportunity -- can be reached only if the minority view is voiced with frankness and considered with respect.

The opportunity is before us to strengthen our region and hasten its progress by admitting all our people to the ranks of our common citizenship. There could be no more appropriate time than now, and no more appropriate field than education, for that step to be taken.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council met in the Lounge of the Phyllis Wheatley Branch of the Y.W.C.A., 599 Tatnall St., S.W., Atlanta, on November 7, 1950. The meeting was called to order by Paul D. Williams, President of the Council, at 10:45 A.M.

The following members were present:

~~Leonard Haas~~
~~Mrs. Irving Cohn~~
~~Rev. Vincent J. O'Connell~~
Rev. D. Swan Haworth
~~Morris Abram~~
John A. Griffin
~~John Wheeler~~
~~R. D. Wellons~~
~~Philip Shulhafer~~
~~Arthur Mixx~~ ~~Gordon B. Hancock~~
~~D. D. C.~~ Newbold
Bishop R. R. Wright Jr.
~~Mrs. James S. Crate~~
Paul D. Williams
~~Harry V. Richardson~~
~~Rabbi Charles Martinband~~
~~Mrs. James Birnie~~

~~J. M. Dabbs~~
~~E. A. McDowell~~
~~Rev. W. W. Wilke~~
~~Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton~~
C. C. Fogleman
~~Mrs. T. James McNamara~~
Marion A. Wright
~~A. D. Beittel~~
~~Benjamin E. Mays~~
~~Rufus E. Clement~~
~~Alonzo F. Moron~~
~~John Long~~
~~Harold Trigg~~
Guy B. Johnson
~~Forrester B. Washington~~
~~E. C. Parrish~~

Special guests at the meeting were former Congressman Arthur W. Mitchell of Petersburg Va and Mrs. Mitchell.

Staff members present were: Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Norma Huff, Mrs. Bertha Johnson, George S. Mitchell, Miss Beth Rogers and Mrs. M. E. Tilly.

The invocation was given by Dr. McDowell.

The Report of the Executive Committee to the Board was read by Mr. Wright in the absence of Dr. Charles Johnson, Chairman of the Committee. There being no discussion, upon motion of Mr. Wright, duly seconded,

1. IT WAS VOTED that the Report be accepted. (See attached.)

Mr. Williams outlined the plan for this year's meetings. It was felt by the planning committee that in former years the meetings ~~were~~ was too formalized and have failed to tap the resources of the people who attended. The plan is for this meeting to split up into subcommittees, then ~~to~~ come together ~~this~~ after ~~afternoon~~ lunch and hear reports of the discussions in the subcommittees. Then the group as a whole can modify and sharpen the viewpoints expressed in the subcommittees.

The membership meeting tomorrow will follow the same plan, and resource people ~~from the subcommittees this morning~~ will report on today's discussions. Then the entire membership meeting will come together during the afternoon ~~and~~ for discussion.

The planning committee set up the following topics to be discussed by the subcommittees today:

Subcommittee No. 1: On approaches to interracial understanding through what teachers teach in the schools.

Subcommittee No. 2: On preparedness for stress -- local interracial committees.

Subcommittee No. 3: On organization, finance, and publication.

The meeting then broke up into subcommittees.

(GSM: I sat in on Committee No. 1. ~~Because the discussion~~ I do not have as full notes, naturally, on the others, but only the summaries as given in the afternoon. I have typed up what went on in #1, because the discussion was so good & full, but I thought maybe it ought not to go into the minutes - BR)

After lunch, the Board reconvened as a Committee of the whole at 1:45 P. M.

Mr. Williams asked Mr. Trigg to read the statement on schools which the staff had drafted as a proposed release to the papers. Mr. Fleming was asked to read the comments on the statement which had been sent in, as requested by Dr. Mitchell, by Board members who could not attend this meeting. The following members had approved the statement as it stood: R.B. Atwood, Felton Clark, Pollard, Brown, and O. D. Duncan. Armand May and Carter Wesley had suggested minor amendments. Mr. Williams reported having talked to Virginius Dabney before coming to the meeting and that Mr. Dabney had approved the statement.

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Mr. Haas moved the adoption of the statement as it stood, but various other members of the Board proposed changes, which were discussed and adopted.

GSM: If you want the discussion in the minutes, I have it in my notes. - BR

On motion of Mr. Hancock, the statement, with the changes incorporated, was approved for release to the press. (See attached.)

Mrs. Hamilton thought that a statement such as this ~~was~~ is a statement of policy and that, as such, it can help strengthen opinion and would be of value to Council members and the groups they are part of. Dr. Mitchell commented that the staff had thought that if the statement were printed it could be mailed to all county and state school superintendents, Southern governors, etc.

Mr. Fleming read the proposed press release to accompany the longer statement. With certain changes suggested by Board members and adopted by the Board, the release was ap-

proved. (See attached.) (AGAIN, IF YOU WANT THE DISCUSSION, I HAVE IT IN MY NOTES)

Upon questioning by Board members, Mr. Williams stated that the Council will give the statement as wide distribution as possible; it will be decided later just how wide distribution can be.

Mr. Griffin then took the chair for the oral reports from the morning meetings and discussion. He commented that all of the topics set out for discussion fitted in with the topic proposed for this afternoon's discussion: The Pace of Change.

He then called the summarizers appointed in each group for a report.

Mr. Richardson for Subcommittee No. 1 (On approaches to interracial understanding through what teachers teach in the schools): We began with an agreement that in the schools of the South, both Negro and white, the better side of Negro life and history, particularly Negro contributions to civilization, has not been presented. From requests that have come in from children and teachers, the staff knows that there is interest in this subject. But, aside from teachers who are venturesome, we agreed that the whole question of the Negro and his contribution to America has not been adequately taught. We discussed the matter of the Council's preparing attractive and accurate literature, for both teachers and students.

Even though the teacher is willing, and though we might have acceptable material, unless the teaching of Negro history from a fairer point of view is approved by county and state administrators, teachers would not be free to teach. This con-

sideration brought us to the problem of educating administrators to give them a truer picture of the Negro and cause them to approve a change in teaching. We thought also that a thorough study of textbooks is needed to see what they ~~are~~ do and ~~are~~ do not ~~teaching.~~ contain.

It was agreed that such an effort would require trained personnel and quite a sum of money. ~~It would require trained personnel~~. It is a task that the Council has found beyond its resources, and it was suggested that foundation help be sought. We agreed that such a step would be an important contribution to human relations.

Mr. Johnson, for Subcommittee No. 2 (On preparedness for stress -- local interracial committees): We discussed the number of local committees we knew to be in existence in our states. We were rather surprised to find how few were actively at work. Georgia has twenty. Texas has seven. Representatives from other states could think of few if any active committees in ~~those~~ their states. There was some discussion of reasons for this dearth. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that perhaps these committees were most successful when they stuck with local immediate and practical problems; when they try to spell out ultimate objectives they begin to get disagreement, fear, etc. Bishop Wright ~~xxx~~ discussed the importance of personal contacts and strategies, thinking especially of ministers who work under him, in developing understanding in local communities. Mrs. Tilly described the work of the Georgia committees. Rabbi Mantinband discussed the use of college groups as a medium of exhange of ideas and contacts between people.

Boiling the discussion down to a brief set of suggestions:

1. We face a time when we will need more and stronger local committees.

2. The key factor in developing local committees is strong State committees. The need is for State committees which can raise a budget so they can keep a person in the field to organize local committees and keep them going.

3. While we do consider that voluntary committees are on the whole much more useful because they are freer and do not have official restrictions, we would not say that official committees have no value. Sometimes an official committee is a yes-man ~~xxxxxxxx~~ group, but a good official committee without any strings attached might serve a real function.

4. We would like to suggest that the Council issue some kind of statement or at least make the information available (perhaps the statement we approved today does it in some way) to do three things: call attention to the need for local interracial committees, voluntary, and perhaps in some cases official; point out reasons why the Council thinks the stresses and strains we are now under make it important for a community to have such committees; and make it clear that the Council gives advice or can help organize them.

To Mrs. Cohn's question of how many official interracial groups there are in the South, Mr. Fleming said that the Council knew of none. There have been some mostly token approaches to such committees, but, so far as we can learn, there has never been any worth the name.

Mr. Wheeler: We had one in Durham, but it did not work out well. The mayor was not enthusiastic, to begin with, and appointed people who would not make much noise and instructed them to avoid controversial matters.

Mrs. Cohn: Is the South psychologically ready to be approached? Official committees are often a hindrance rather than a help, and many outside the South ~~or many~~ have failed. The key question seems to be personnel. Does the Council want to go on record as favoring official committees?

Mr. Wheeler: In the meeting we agreed that, though there had not been many such committees, there was need of them and no reason why we should not advocate them, particularly in larger cities. If one or two cities could operate successful projects, they could become models for the rest of the South. It was the consensus that we should advocate their establishment.

Mr. Wright, for Subcommittee No. 3 (On organization, finance, and publication): The Council was organized at a time when it was felt that advantages would flow from a fairly large governing body. A large Board was valuable because it attached to the organization people who might otherwise have been uninterested. ~~otherwise.~~ The Subcommittee felt that the climate of opinion had changed. The problem has been gone into rather extensively at recent Executive Committee meetings, and it has been the feeling of that Committee that the governing body of the Council should be more compact and consist of those who were vitally interested, and that it should meet quarterly instead of annually.

With this meeting the legal existence of this body terminates. The Subcommittee therefore proposes that an Executive Board be established which would exercise the functions of the present Board of Directors; that it should consist of the President and four Vice Presidents, ex officio, with voice and vote, plus fourteen members; the Executive Director and Associate Director not to be members, to have no voice and no vote, but to attend meetings and give advice and information. The quorum for meetings would be seven.

If the Board of Directors should approve ~~of~~ this change and refer the matter to the full meeting tomorrow, we propose that the Board of Directors recommend to the general membership meeting that the Board and the Executive Committee be merged into a single Executive Committee to be composed as indicated. Various amendments to the by-laws have been readied which would effect these proposed changes.

The Subcommittee further recommends that the President appoint a nominating committee of five, which would recommend to the membership meeting tomorrow the names of fourteen members of the proposed Executive Board. We suggest that two of those members be chosen for one year, four for two years, four for three years, and four for four years.

The Subcommittee was highly sensitive to the fact that there have been on the Board for a number of years many persons who are interested in our work. We were hopeful that it might be found possible to appoint an Advisory ~~Committee~~ Board ~~of~~ which the organization could avail itself for advice and counsel. We would like some kind of relationship continued

with the present Board.

Therefore, in addition, we recommend that he incoming Executive Board be authorized to appoint an Advisory Board of such number as in its discretion would be proper and that that Board be available from time to time.

One minor consideration: it is possible that the cost of meetings such as this one could run into quite a substantial figure. By reducing the number of the Board from seventy to fourteen, the Council would move out from under the cloud of potential expense for the annual Board meeting.

On finances. These will be fully discussed at tomorrow's meeting.

On publications. Dr. Mitchell proposed that New South be published once every two months instead of monthly. We agreed, with one qualification: If in the two-month interim events should transpire of considerable public interest, the Chancil shall issue an interim bulletin.

Mr. Moron asked whether the ~~com~~ Subcommittee had given any thought to the regional quality of the Board. Mr. Wright replied that the fourteen members of the Executive Board would represent the region, but that the Advisory Board would not necessarily be regional in nature. The Subcommittee had also thought it wise to have a national advisory board, to be chosen without regard to geographical lines.

To Mr. Dent's question of whether the proposed changes had been studied by the Executive Committee, Mr. Wright replied that the proposed changes in by-laws had been prepared by the staff pursuant to a recommendation on two occasions from the Executive Committee on how the membership of the Board should

be reduced.

Mr. Griffin discussed the position of the Finance Committee on the proposed ~~xxxxxx~~ reorganization. It was the judgment of that Committee that the most effective way to reduce would be not to elect new members to the Board, but at the same time not to reduce drastically. The Committee was conscious of the fact that this is an important year, and it did not want to lose a single name now on the Board.

Mrs. Hamilton, also a member of that Committee, ~~st~~ added that ~~the Committee~~ it believed further that a plan involving such drastic changes should have a longer period of thought. The Committee believed that the recommendations should be referred to the Executive Committee for further study so that at the next meeting of the Executive Committee a firm decision can be reached.

Mr. Williams: Meanwhile the deliberations today and tomorrow will be taken up by the Executive Committee and next year we will be in a position to have a better grasp of what is involved.

Mrs. Birnie: The Committee thought that we should not let the feelings of any member of the Board govern the move. For the sake of the Council and its growth, we thought~~t~~ that ~~xxxh~~ each would step aside and give way to the growth of the organization. I for one would like to see some of this energy spent in adding national Board members and organizing local groups.

Mr. Williams summarized previous action on the matter of reorganization by the Executive Committee, pointing out that at its last meeting that Committee had felt that the large Board, meeting only once a year, comes to the meeting not fully

aware of what has transpired during the year. The Committee thought that a tightening-up process could be effected so that the governing body would be a smaller group, meeting more regularly, that would be vitally interested. The other point for consideration is the financial one. If by this reduction it is felt that the enthusiasm of others on the Board will be dampened, we would be in favor of not electing new members, as Mrs. Hamilton suggested, until we see what next year will bring.

To a question by Mr. McDowell, Dr. Mitchell replied that the cost of convening the smaller group more often would be about the same as the avarage cost of the annual Board meeting, plus the four Executive Committee meetings.

Dr. McDowell wondered whether the potential extra expense of the Annual Board meeting would be compensated for by the good will and active interest of the larger Board. He pointed out that the Council has labored through the years to build up a large potential of interest and, now that ~~we are~~ it is going to the grass roots for support, ~~we are~~ it is in effect proposing to destroy~~ing~~ part of the organization, ~~by the proposed changes.~~

Msgr. McNamara brought out the fact that the Subcommittee had anticipated the questions ~~which had been~~ raised by Mr. Griffin. It was strongly urged that an Advisory Board ~~xxxx~~ of fifty be appointed immediately, looking to the old Board for its members, and that this Board be announced as quickly as possible. He re-emphasized that the potential expense involved in the annual meeting if the ~~xxxxxxx~~ structure is not revamped is quite large.

Mr. Wilke asked whether the State Divisions could not

be called on to finance their own delegates to the xxxxxx meetings. Dr. Mitchell replied that some members of the Board are not representatives of the divisions, and that the divisions might not care to send those particular individuals.

Mrs. Hamilton pointed out that some other factors involved had not been given sufficient consideration. A regional Board of fourteen is too small a number to assure of its being truly representative. It has taken quite a long time to develop responsible groups all over the South. Groups at the state and local levels need to feel a part of the regional body. She said that she would feel more comfortable if the Council moved in the direction indicated a little more slowly. To reduce from seventy to fourteen, even with an Advisory Board, is pretty drastic. Advisory committees do not feel the responsibility that Boards and Executive Committees feel.

Mrs. Cohn stated that, while in any changes made, there should be an effort to retain the older and wiser and more experienced persons, the Council should be in a position to add to the Board younger people who are coming along.

Mr. Williams proposed filling part of the vacancies rather than all of them.

Mr. Griffin: In Georgia, thirteen out of fifteen Board members raised at least a hundred dollars each recently.

Mr. Wright emphasized that the question is mainly one of how rapidly to make the change. A smaller governing body with a definite load of responsibility is usually more efficient, and everyone agrees that the proposed change is in the interest of more efficient operation. The matter has been discussed in the last two or three Executive Committee meetings,

and the staff was instructed to prepare proposed changes in by-laws. The whole question is whether or not by making the change sharply now, we alienate financial and moral support. If we do so substantially, we want to go slow. The feeling of the Subcommittee was that if we announce now that we are going to make the change a year from now, those who hold office for the ensuing year would not feel responsibility for carrying on the work.

Msgr. McNamara pointed out that the Board of Directors is morally responsible for the debts of the Council, and wondered if the Board was going to accept this obligation. The Subcommittee recommended that if the Council is not solvent by April 1, it go out of business as of that date.

Mr. Wright added that the Subcommittee had not so voted, but that that was the consensus.

Msgr. McNamara added his view that the Council would be more likely to be supported by a Board of fourteen than of seventy-plus.

Mr. Dent asked whether any consideration had been given to the possibility of retaining the Board of seventy and enlarging the Executive Committee to fourteen; amending the by-laws to give legal status to the Executive Committee; and amending policy to pay the expenses of the Executive Committee only. This would accomplish two purposes: the Board would remain the same, and the Council would gain a body of fourteen persons plus five officers meeting four times a year.

Bishop Wright questioned the reason for having a Board

of fourteen. In practical organization a small committee is a good thing, but fourteen would hardly give one member per State. In addition, the Council being interracial, it seems wise to have one person of each race from each State. The small committee now in existence ought to be small enough to take up all the intimate things most effectively. The larger committee serves to carry the interest to as many local places as possible and should have one colored person and one white person from each state if it is going to be interracial. The big job in front of us, it is agreed, is organization in states and in local communities; in that case, should we not have on an Executive Board, people from every state and from both races?

Upon motion of Mr. Moron, duly seconded,

2. IT WAS VOTED that the Board defer any change until the points raised in this meeting have been studied by the Executive Committee and brought back to the Board with recommendations at the next annual meeting.

Msgr. McNamara inquired whether the motion covered proposed revision of the Constitution. It was the group's consensus that it did so. It was the further consensus of the group that the matter of revision should not be brought before the general membership meeting.

On motion of Mr. Dent, duly seconded,

3. IT WAS VOTED that New South be issued six times a year.

The Report of the Secretary-Treasurer was now read. (See attached.)

Dr. Mitchell: To get through to the end of the year we will need $4,500.00 in addition to scrapings. Mr. Byrd is in town and got in tough with me to say that,

because of financial difficulties he had not foreseen, he would like to be paid when his note comes due.

Mr. Williams pointed out that the Council's financial status is greatly improved over last year; if it were not for the obligation to Mr. Byrd, we would be almost breaking even. Dr. Mitchell added that requests for aid are in to several foundations, of which it is hoped one or two will come in. The important thing is that the Council has survived; that we are finding additional smallish foundations to help us, and that there is a disposition on the part of the membership to help additionally.

On motion, duly seconded,

4. IT WAS VOTED that the ~~financial~~ Secretary-Treasurer's report be adopted as read, with thanks.

Mr. Dent asked whether, in view of the small productivity of Mr. Byrd's effort, we could ask him to reduce the amount the Council owes him. Dr. Mitchell replied that he would rather see it in terms of postponement. At the ___(date) meeting, Mr. Byrd reduced the amount owed him voluntarily; Dr. Mitchell did not feel that the Council is honor bound to pay him by December 31, but felt it would be less than honorable not to pay him the $6,000.00 ultimately. Mr. Williams added that Mr. Byrd would be paid what the Council ~~could possibly~~ can afford when the note comes due, and that the rest would have to be postponed.

Dr. Mitchell then presented the proposed budget for 1951. (See attached.)

In commenting on the budget, Dr. Mitchell stated that the amount listed as salaries is at the present level, plus raises

for some staff members. The item for travel is low, and other figures are pretty much at the present level. ~~The~~ A little had been shaved off in view of the proposed reduction in the publication of New South. The expected income item is minimum.

He went on to say that he did not propose adoption of the budget. What he proposed ~~is~~ was the continuance of the Council at the present level until a stated time, and that, unless $15,000.00 had been raised, the Executive Committee put the Council on a liquidation basis. In terms of the 50 for '51 campaign, that means 166 new members for each Southern State, or seventeen $100.00 memberships in each State.

Mr. Griffin mentioned the experience of the Georgia ~~xxx~~ Board members during the past summer. The members of the Board met and went though the Georgia membership list, determining who might be asked to act as 50 for '51 people, to raise $100.00 or get ten ten-dollar members, and deciding who should be asked to approach them on the matter. The Board found (get figure) people they thought could be asked to take part in the campaign. Mr. Griffing re-emphasized ~~xxxfxx~~ the faith of the Finance Committee in the 50 for '51 effort; it is the only way they see to save the Council.

At this point, Dr. Hancock introduced former Congressman Arthur W. Mitchell of Illinois, now a resident of Petersburg, Virginia. Mr. Mitchell spoke briefly, describing his career and his desire upon retirement from Congress to help his people in the South. After getting acquainted with many organizations, he had decided that the Southern Regional Council had the finest and most promising program in this field, and he wrote to George Mitchell asking how he could help. He

has volunteered to travel for the Council, raising money, the Council to pay only his travel expenses. He has already turned in to Mrs. Huff several sums raised by him at church meetings. He concluded by saying that the talk of closing down the Council had distressed him; he felt the Council to be too necessary to the South to consider closing. He himself guaranteed that he could raise ~~$1,000~~ a thousand dollars in the state of Virginia by Christmas.

The next order of business being the election of staff, on motion of Mr. Hohnson, duly seconded,

5. IT WAS VOTED that George S. Mitchell be re-elected Executive Director of the Council, and

6. IT WAS VOTED that Mrs. Norma Huff be confirmed as Secretary-Treasurer.

Mr. Dabbs commented that, on the general topic of ~~today's~~ the day's discussion, The Pace of Change, he had found the problem in South Carolina to be the lack of ~~white~~ support because the Council goes too fast and, on the other hand, the lack of others' support because it goes too slow. Dr. Mitchell commented that the only answer seems to be in terms of doing whatever we do together as a single, united people.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:55 P. M.

Discussion in Subcommittee No. 1

John Griffin opened the meeting. He called on Dr. Mitchell to make a statement on the topic under consideration.

Dr. Mitchell: The Association for the Study of Negro Life and History met in Atlanta ten days or so ago. Some of their conclusions were that the Negro people receive a great deal of benefit by the teaching of Negro history, and it is needed as well in white schools. The whole history of Africa is distorted. The history of slavery is mistaught. The Negro's advance is too little taught. The same problem in a different guise concerned the old Commission on Interracial Cooperation, and a series of meetings was held in Atlanta on education and race relations. A good many teachers were brought here for those meetings. Out of this work came the booklet America's Tenth Man, which has been one of the most widely used pamphlets the Council has distributed.

We are in another period now, and something more elaborate is called for. My idea of what is needed is two pamphlets, one a manual for teachers, the other a pamphlet for students. The one for teachers ought to be an outline of Negro life and history, a guide on how to teach the material, and a bibliography graded by subject.

We have no channels for getting such a book into the hands of teachers. But we do have enough friends over the South to find in various schools a teacher who would be interested and to get it into her hands. The teachers would weave the materials into the other material they teach. There is a terrific demand for free material. The least advertisement in

any newspaper would bring a flood of requests. Whether that is the way to get materials into the schools, we don't know. But we have got to do something to prepare teachers and kids for much closer association in schools and later life than they are prepared for now.

The problem is that this group is out for enlightenment on these matters. ~~in schools.~~

Mr. Fleming ~~stated~~ said that he had been impressed by the number of teachers in small places over the South who have got hold of the Council's name and have written in to say, "We are going to do a unit on the Negro. Please send me all your free material on race relations." There may be a trend in the South toward a more sincere interest among white schools.

Mr. Clement thought that this indicated the need for free materials, and ~~xxxxxx~~ for furnishing our best material (best in the sense of effectiveness) free. He wondered if the Council could get a grant for that purpose from a group that might not give a grant for general operating purposes. The two pamphlets Dr. Mitchell spoke of should be free, he thought, in moderate quantities.

Dr. Mitchell said he would like the Council to become known as the place to write to for good modern information. If the Council could get sound information out through schools, it would be a powerful influence for good.

Mrs Cohn: Our group has been working on this problem in New Orleans. Three years ago we started holding institutes of public, parochial, and private school teachers, meeting once a week for eight weeks. Those who attended received in-service training credit from the school board. People like Dr.

Mitchell, Father O'Connell, and Ira Reid were brought in to talk to the teachers. There were panel discussions on classroom problems. The institutes have given Negro and white teachers in the public school system their first opportunity to sit down together; they had had no point of contact before. After running three institutes, each attended by 250 to 300 teachers, we reached the conclusion that we needed to do something more intensive. This year we are conducting a small study group, most of whom were in the institutes. Our thinking in this has been molded by the thinking of the American Council on Education. However, all of their work, except in St. Louis, has been in non-segregated school systems, and we find our problems quite different. We have the problem of bringing understanding to children and teachers who have no contact with each other.

The purpose of the study group has been to delve into the teaching of human relations, not just race relations. We have discovered several principles that seem to apply to teaching interracial understanding in the schools. For one thing, the teaching of human relations should be integrated with the rest of the classroom work, and not isolated, because if it is isolated the pupils regard ~~human relations~~ it as something different and strange that has nothing to do with English or civics or whatever ~~you are trying to teach.~~ Else is being taught. The question of how the teacher goes about teaching human relations is very important; you cannot write a manual and simply put it into the hands of teachers. Sometimes a teacher with the best will in the world goes about ~~matters~~ things in exactly the wrong way. One of the problems we are considering in the study group is whether

to teach merely race relations or whether to tack race relations to the bigger problem of human relations. There is also the problem of different minority groups in different places; in New Orleans it is not the same as in Georgia. Should the work be confined to one group or extended to all minority groups?

There is also the problem of getting materials into the curriculum. It is very difficult to get pamphlets into the hands of children. In New Orleans we have the complete support of the superintendents, but when we got down to the assistant superintendents and principals, things became more difficult. One thing we encountered as we worked down the hierarchy was that new material could not be introduced into the system unless it had been approved by the directors of instruction. The teacher can read anything she wants to, but there may be difficulty when she puts material into the hands of school children.

On material, we found that what has been put out by the American Council on Education needs to be simplified. And most of the projects were designed for an unsegregated school system. There is no material that can be used. Another problem is finding material suitable for different grades.

When we started the study group we thought we would confine ourselves to civics, history, and English; we wouldn't cover things like home economics and biology. But we found that one of the most interested teachers was one who taught biology, and we found that home economics and biology teachers can do a good job of putting this material to work.

Mr. Fleming commented that desirable as an integrated human relations

approach is, we are faced in many of these small places with an unmodern situation. What has struck the staff is that there is a vein of interest. Units on the Negro are being taught, and the people are floundering because they are drawing on old, faulty materials and ideas. There is no hope of reaching those teachers on a sophisticated level. What can be done is to use the shotgun approach. The question is not what would we do if we could, but what can we do to use that vein of interest that is undeniably there. These people are aware that something is wrong, and their idea is to learn more about it. The Council cannot get material into the hands of children through the schools, but we do get letters from children saying that their teachers have told them to write us for materials. So maybe things are more flexible on the lower levels.

On the question of materials suitable for different grades, there we would use a shotgun approach that would strike at several grades -- the sixth to tenth, or the seventh to eleventh -- and cover the age range broadly.

Father O'Connell: Has the Association for Negro Life and History developed anything on this problem? One of the first things that is needed is material for biology. In rural Louisiana I have seen old stuff on biology on the children's level which teaches that there is a basic difference between Negroes and whites from the viewpoint of their essential humanity.

Upon Dr. Clement's inquiry as to whether anything had been developed that was better than Races of Mankind, Mr. Fleming said that the assumptions underlying Races of Mankind are alien to the people the Council wants to reach. Something

needs to be developed that will take their assumptions into account.

Mr. Griffin proposed that the staff look over the literature available and bring together a bibliography to serve until the Council's own material can be prepared.

Mr. Washington: How can the Council expect pamphlets to be circulated if teachers and administrators are not sold on the idea? The problems Mrs. Cohn described are found in rural as well as urban areas. We have to reach the people who mold education. The teaching of Negro history to Negroes is desirable because of the feeling of inferiority which can develop into emotional insecurity. But we have a tremendous number of white people who are poorly integrated because they have not learned to accept differences. We need to reach people from the university level down, from the point of view of accepting cultural differences, religious and economic as well as racial.

The same thing that is being proposed here was done twenty years ago by the Commission on Interracial Cooperation in preparing literature to be sent to individuals. I believe that this newest foundation -- the Ford Foundation -- is not interested in general grants, but in developing some kind of science of human relations. This organization could very well go to the Ford Foundation (or to others) with a proposal to bring pressure to bear on people who prepare histories and the biologies that Father O'Connell was talking about.

Mrs. Cohn: There is a great deal of merit in what Mr. Fleming has said. It is not good to put things into the hands

of teachers if they don't know how to use them, so maybe it would be better to do nothing in the field of human relations. It may be that you begin knowing you are taking a chance. Maybe you assume that the stereotypes are there and you try to give the teacher some facts to combat them.

Dr. Moron: One problem is whether there is a need, and for what type of material. A second problem is getting materials into the hands of teachers and students. We should begin with what our present resources are. We should look at the possibility of adding to teacher training programs the kind of materials we are discussing; summer schools particularly. See what kind of material is available and see how the problem is being handled. We should consider whether we need to supplement what those institutions are doing with additional material or with additional program. In this way, teachers can gradually be brought into line. This is being done in Northern colleges, but not in the South.

Mr. Griffin mentioned the experience last summer of the Anti-Defamation League in conducting four one-day summer school institutes on race relations in four colleges. An effort was made to involve the faculty in planning for two or three weeks ahead of time, though the institute actually lasted for only one day. A resource person was brought in to make an inspirational talk, then the students divided into small discussion groups, and came together in the afternoon for a panel discussion. Much of the focus in these institutes was on where to get material and on the definition

of human relations. In the latter area the emphasis was not on race relations but on the whole problem of human relations. Maybe the Council and the Anti-Defamation League can combine forces and put some emphasis on getting such things into teacher training institutions.

Mr. Richardson: At present a good approach is through some of the more adventurous teachers. Could the Council do anything not only to sell administrators on the proposal to have courses for teachers in summer schools, but to get administrators together to consider a further approach to human relations teaching?

Mr. Moron: There is the question of how fast you want to work. Administrators have to be responsible to public opinion.

Mr. Griffin: In our experience, some administrators were amazingly flexible.

Mr. McDowell: I would think they would be alive to the present trend in the direction of human relations teaching.

Mr. Moron: The top administrator is not the problem. It is the people who are climbing and don't want to hurt anyone's feelings.

Mr. Newbold: Up to now the shotgun process has accomplished a lot. The approach that would probably get the largest results would be to get to groups of people who have been referred to you in various ways. I have a feeling that the proper approach to the board of education and state superintendents would get results in my own State, and I believe that if you could reach that level of officials in each

State you would be a long way and would influence a large area.

Mr. Trigg: There are two main questions: the need for literature, and how it can be got into use. Judging by the number of calls I have about Brotherhood Week, there is no doubt about need. The members of the North Carolina State Board are all interested in the problem of human relations. The North Carolina school system is centralized: salaries, textbooks, etc. Pressure could be brought on the textbook commission to see that certain things are left out of textbooks. The State Board of Education is usually concerned with the large problems of organizing and administering the school system and would proabably not go into details, but leave those to the State Department of Public Instuction and the textbook commission. They will do things if they are called to their attention in the proper way, though politics would stand in the way of issuing a directive to teach human relations. But there is never any trouble about the good things being done by good teachers; the administration is quite willing for individual teachers to do what they want to do, and would not object to any sound movement to ~~include~~ put a definite emphasis on better human relations.

Dr. Mays thought that people at the bottom would not do very much unless they felt that those at the top were in favor of it. It is important, he said, to get some kind of go-signal from the people at the top.

Bringing together the gist of the proposals made so far, Dr. Clement suggested making a request to the Ford Foundation for a sum, to be decided upon by a committee, of $100,000 or $200,000 for work over a period of time. The purpose of the whole project would be to bring about better human relations

in the Southeastern area. The Ford Foundation is expressly interested in this. We could employ competent people to do the following things:

1. Prepare the manual for teachers and workers in the field, expertly and well done, and prepare literature for students, perhaps on two levels.

2. Call a series of conferences of (a) top-level people on a Southwide basis to learn what the problem really is; (b) county and district superintendents on a local and statewide basis; (c) organized teachers' groups, state supervisors' organizations, etc., with speakers and institutes.

3. Conduct institutes especially in teacher training institutions and church groups.

Mr. Trigg thought there was no need to call conferences because these people already have conferences. Others pointed out that the proposed meetings would get superintendents and state board of education officials together on a southwide basis, and would focus primarily on the problem of human relations rather than making it part of a larger program.

Mr. Newbold thought that, with this kind of proposal to offer, it would be possible to convince state boards of education to participate. Even the offer of the service would carry enormous prestige,

Mr. McDowell: Would it be possible to get the Ford Foundation to support the work of the Council as a whole?

Mr. Clement: That would be a mistake. They would be interested in the particular project.

Mr. Richardson: Has the Council ever made a study of

Southern textbooks to see what they say and don't say about Negroes?

Mrs. Cohn: A study has been made on a national level. It would be simple to correlate that with the textbooks used in the South.

In case that Foundation money could not be secured, the Subcommittee made the following recommendations: appointment of a committee to form plans and go ahead. Decide which of the approaches discussed would be good, depending on the resources of the Council. If money is not available for the whole program, concentrate on literature as the most important.

Mr. Wellons questioned whether it would be possible to omit either revision of the material now in use or the new resource-use education where the teacher weaves into every lesson the materials on human relations.

Mrs. Cohn thought that it might be possible to develop the material needed without the Ford money. If the Council does get a grant from Ford, the material will have to be revised anyway. And if we do not get a grant, there are still groups we can work with; for example, the workshops that are already under way in the South.

Mr. Moron pointed out that there has been a change in the kind of literature in this field, away from the factual review to the kind that leans toward the historical.

Mr. Washington seriously questioned the worth of the kind of program that had been outlined. He ~~thought~~ believed that the Council should be thinking instead of an entirely new kind of program and not in terms of school and college education. He thought, too, that the Ford Foundation would not be in-

trigued by the kind of program envisaged. The kind of thing he wanted to see would be, in a general study of schoolchildren, etc. is a control group of white children who have never been exposed to racial indoctrination and after three or four years a follow-up study.

Dr. Mays inquired whether, with or without much money, it would be possible to have responsible committees in several States actually read the textbooks and make suggestions.

Mr. Trigg advocated getting Negroes on State Boards of Education. He also pointed out that the Council cannot assume that there are people in each State familiar with human relations problems. We should ask for a grant to train personnel in each State who would in turn train other personnel.

Mrs. Cohn cautioned that white children should not be the ultimate object of our program. A great deal needs to be done in training the Negro child for citizenship and making him feel he is part of the citizenship. She thought that Mr. Washington's suggestion about the control group could be integrated into the over-all project as an evaluative study.

Mrs. Hamilton: In a sense, the New Orleans project has been a pilot project. Whether we can go into a more ambitious program or not, a careful record of the process that has been under way there, what was involved in getting administrative support, etc., would be a contribution to the Council and to others working in this field. We will need all the experience we have had. New Orleans should set up some evaluation.

Mrs. Cohn said that an advisory group of experts has been called in on the study group, and complete minutes are being kept. It has been found that the teachers want skills. They don't want to read books; they want to know what to do

in actual classroom situations.

The ~~Commi~~ Subcommittee decided to report the proceedings of the meeting to the Board of Directors in full, and to report to the annual meeting that efforts will be made to secure funds from a foundation for the purposed discussed.

At this point, the meeting adjourned for lunch.

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ATLANTA, Nov. 8 - Southerners of both races, meeting here today, urged that Negroes in the South have representation on policy-making bodies which govern public services.

The statement was adopted at the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council, an interracial organization whose members include educators, church people, editors, labor and business men from thirteen Southern states.

Releasing the statement, Council President Paul D. Williams, of Richmond, Va., declared: "This is the course for the South to follow. We are facing a crisis today because of our failure to admit Negroes to partnership in our public life. By doing so now, the South can tap new resources of ability and statesmanship and open up an era of common citizenship."

The Council particularly recommended Negro representation on school boards, elective and appointive. It termed the many school equalization suits filed in Federal courts recently "the fruits of bad faith."

"There is every reason to believe," the statement said, "that the Negro plaintiffs, like the defendants, would prefer a less expensive and more cooperative method of reaching agreement. The best way to achieve that is for Negroes to have a voice in the policy making which determines the quality of education their children are to receive."

The Council maintained that only by such representation could equality be attained in day-to-day administration of school systems. "True equality," it declared, "is not static arithmetic. It is a running matter."

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(Full text of statement attached.)

Minutes

EXCERPTS FROM FULL NOTES

ON GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, NOVEMBER 8, 1950

Mr. Wright was of the opinion that the weakening of the local interracial groups might be partially explained by the fact that the goals which the groups had set themselves were actually being realized. For example, they came into being when it was almost beyond reason to think that Negroes would vote, or would enter State universities, so that whites and Negroes organized to obtain those rights. In less than 25 years, those rights either exist or are just around the corner. Perhaps the slackening at the moment is due to the fact that action is being taken by the courts and has passed out of our hands.

Mr. Saporta: We should not sit back and be complacent about what has been achieved. Rapprochement on a local level is just as important as on the national level. We have had an interesting experience at Georgia Tech. The Tech boys are a good cross-section of Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and they have all the expected prejudices. We don't think a direct approach on the matter of segregation will do much good; but here is the sort of thing that is happening. This year one of their problems had to do with slum clearance. We encouraged them to talk to representatives of the Negro group during their investigation of facilities. Through that contact they have come to admire representatives of the Negro race; they saw that there is not so much difference as they had thought; they found that the Negro people they talked to were far more help than the whites. And when time came to pick a jury to judge their work, they themselves proposed that Negroes be included. Southern young people are much further

ahead than we think. They are ready to accept the breaking down of artificial barriers.

Mrs. Tilly spoke of her experiences with local groups in the past few months. The committees that have been organized recently feel that they have a real place of service because of the school situation. But it is hard to get new groups organized because of the political campaigns. She herself did not feel as pessimistic as some here seem to. The average white person may be farther away from Negroes, but, in Georgia at least, it is due to the type of political campaign that has been waged rather than to the Supreme Court decisions. We find a white person to go to bat for good things in every community. And if we are farther apart, at least more people are thinking about the subject than ever before. One of the things we need may be leadership.

Mrs. Tilly mentioned also that in Thomasville, Georgia, the County Superintendent of Schools is on the local interracial committee.

Dr. Moron said that in his observation, during the last two years the barrier of segregation is being attacked by a solid Negro group and not by an interracial group. Even after the court issues an order, there remains the problem of implementing the order. The court can say there must be a new school, but we don't have anything like a corps of Negroes and whites who can work at getting a bond issue promoted. Mr. Wright's remarks, he said, caused him concern, because one of the greatest needs for interracial cooperation is in matters affected by court decisions.

Mrs. Tilly thought that the Atlanta school suit had done Georgia some good. There is a feeling that something has to be

done to improve schools so that segregation won't be broken down. A recent meeting of school superintendents in Athens had a session on Negro schools, and almost every superintendent wanted to go into that session. The suits are really bringing some groups together who feel they have to work things out together.

Mr. Shea thought that indications were that we have moved beyond the paternalistic phase; in church organization, for instance, we are beyond the stage where race relations means having suppers together. Now Negroes are going to take part in governments. The paternalist gets cold feet. We are losing those who don't want to stand up and be counted with us. The old guard is falling from our ranks, and we find the new guard willing to go forward. We can now go to those who have felt the effect of education and are willing to go along with us. Our key to the future is to emphasize our activities everywhere we can.

Dr. Mays wondered whether, if we are in a slack period, it is not a temporary inevitability. Years ago when the fight was to get high schools where there were no high schools, it was very easy to get outstanding ministers and professors to say, Yes, Negroes ought to have high schools, and to sign petitions. But when we move up on the level where we ask, not for high schools, but for high schools just as good as anybody else's, when we say that if the schools aren't just as good, then we want to get into your schools -- then segregation is being threatened. Dr. Mays believed that it is a sign of progress that there is a temporary period of falling off.

Mrs. Hamilton pointed out that an important question is the role of the Council. Perhaps the Council needs to look at

the basis on which it is asking the people of the South for support, and perhaps we must be firmer and more forthright than we have felt it was wise to be.

Pointing out that the topic of the role of local interracial committees was chosen by the planning committee for discussion with certain considerations in mind, Dr. Moron asked the Executive Director to comment at this point.

Dr. Mitchell made the point that the strain and change coming out of the war situation make it important to organize every possible resource that crosses the barriers of race. It is of the greatest importance that we organize in every community across the South. More local communities should use the Home Town Self-Survey; he memtioned briefly what had been accomplished in Greenville. Though the survey there was too limited in scope, great results have been achieved. The important thing is not to found a whole new series of interracial committees; the important thing is to find the people who can work together.

Dr. Dent mentioned his own comment in the morning session. It had seemed to him that the greatest single factor contributing to the lack of understanding in the South is the separation in schools. He thought that the Council could not be effedtive until it said whether it wanted ultimately to see segregation eliminated. This affects our whole philosophy of education. He thought that we have reached the point where, if we are going to take the leadership in social planning in the South, we have to face this problem and say that our ultimate goal is the elimination of segregation in education because we think that is the largest single barrier to understanding. If we think of every

situation in terms of that long-range objective we will command more respect than we now do. Dr. Dent did not think public statements were necessary, but he thought we need to commit ourselves to this long-fange goal among ourselves. It was his opinion that the South is at present moving toward the elimination of segregation in education, and that human understanding between people in the South would come only as that goal is reached.

Father Egan thought that an important factor was the lack of religious leadership. The issue is a moral one, involving matters of rights and duties. With proper religious leadership, change would come faster than it is coming now, and he thought the Council should place more emphasis on such leadership.

Dr. Mays spoke in support of Mr. Dent. He thought that support would be lacking in the South whether the Council declared itself against segregation or for equality under segregation. It was his belief that if the Council takes a stand it will get more support than ever before, provided that its statement is prudent.

Mr. Neal: At each critical period in the South, when we could have voted on the right side, we have dodged the issue. I would like to see a motion against segregation made by a native Southern white man and seconded by another.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Annual Membership Meeting

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The meeting was called to order by President Paul D. Williams at 10:10 A.M. The invocation was given by Rabbi Mantinband.

Mr. Williams described the order of business that had been worked out for this year's meeting. In former years, the meeting has consisted of a series of reports by qualified persons, followed by general discussion. However, the committee which planned this meeting believed that the membership of the Council contains some of the best qualified persons in this field, and that this resource of experience and ideas has not been adequately tapped. The Board at its meeting yesterday broke up into subcommittees to discuss specific topics, and in the afternoon reconvened as a whole to hear reports from each subcommittee and to discuss what had been accomplished and recommended. Today, the procedure will be the same. This group will break up into two Committees to hear and discuss reports from yesterday's Board meeting. Then after lunch, the membership will meet as a whole to discuss what has been done this morning.

The Report of the Secretary-Treasurer followed. (See attached)

Upon motion, duly seconded,

1. IT WAS VOTED that the Report be accepted as read, with thanks.

Mr. Williams delivered the Presidential address.

Mr. Haas rose to express publicly his appreciation of the President's address. On a motion by Mr. Dabbs, duly seconded,

2. IT WAS VOTED that the address should be published in a forthcoming issue of New South.

The meeting now broke up into two committees for discussion of business.

(I HAVE COMMITTEE A'S DISCUSSION IN FULL. SHOULD IT BE INCORPORATED INTO THE MINUTES? --B.R.)

After lunch, the meeting reconvened in the Auditorium for reports and general discussion. President Williams called the meeting to order at 1:45 P.M.

Harold Fleming read the statement on schools as amended and adopted at the Board meeting on Tuesday. After some further changes, on motion, duly ~~xxxxx~~ seconded

3. IT WAS VOTED that the statement be adopted by the membership as a whole. (See attached.)

President Williams called for reports on the morning sessions by the appointed summarizers.

Dr. Trigg reported for Committee A, as follows:

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Dr. Moron reported for Committee B, as follows:

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attached at end of minutes

There was considerable discussion of the second Committee's feeling that the split between Negroes and whites on the local level is becoming wider, that Negroes are more and more trying to get things done by themselves, and that the local movement is becoming less interracial incharacter. It was thought by some that there has been a widening of the gap on the local level, but a closer identification on the national level. National policy has moved ahead of local polity. It was believed that this factor is not one to become disturbed about.

Annual membership meeting, November 8. Proceedings in Committee A.

The group selected Marion Wright as chairman, and Dr. Trigg as the summarizer to present the discussion to the full membership in the afternoon.

Mr. Richardson, summarizing the proceedings of the Board meeting on the previous day: The Council staff constantly receives requests for information on race and interracial matters. It was felt that one of our needs was to secure the approval of superintendents of schools and of county and State boards of education. It was felt that all this is a large task and one that is too costly for the Council. The group decided that the best thing to do would be to seek a foundation to sponsor a thoroughgoing project to make the facts about Negro history available to schools and provide them with adequate resources. It was felt that one thing needed was a study of textbooks now being used to see what they are and are not teaching.

Rabbi Mantinband made the point that there is segregation of ideas and program as well as segregation of people in our schools. During the early part of February, for example, Negro History Week is celebrated throughout the country. It was his criticism that frequently the interest begins and ends with that. He felt that long-range things, such as the study of textbooks, were good, but that we need also to do some short-range things, such as working with libraries, Y's, etc., to let people know about the Negro — not just outstanding Negroes, but the story of the Negro rank and file.

Mrs. Cohn recalled that there had been discussion of not limiting the effort to Negro history, but that material in civics, literature, and biology needed to be reviewed and correctly presented also.

Mr. Wright questioned the advisability of a history devoted exclusively to Negro accomplishments, feeling that this might foster the idea that the Negro is a people apart. He thought that the thing we want to aim at ultimately is not a description of Negro contributions, but the sentiment that "here is a man who happens to be Negro (or white)."

Mr. Richardson commented that in yesterday's discussion that in many places in the South distorted ideas about Negroes are being taught. In addition to leading the children to hold a certain general viewpoint, we have to counteract some specific areas of misinformation. One aim of the Council is to attack very wrong ideas regarding Negroes and to substitute accurate information for misinformation.

Mrs. Cohn recalled that one point made the previous day was the need for two different types of approach. There are teachers to have to have their own lack of information remedied, and perhaps the Council should furnish them with the type of information we have been talking about. But there are other teachers who know the facts and are ready and anxious to move into teaching better human relations. They face the problem of how to bring about better feeling among children in a segregated school system. They are approaching race relations from the perspective of human relations. It is not possible to use the same material with teachers on different levels of development. On the lower level you need factual material; on the higher level, human relations.

Mr. Washington spoke about the problem of approaching the people at the top in the school systems, the people who supervise those who do the actual teaching. He thought that we need to make an appeal to their self-interest; to point out that white children and adults suffer from an ambivalent situation in which, on the one hand, democracy is preached, and on the other hand there is the inability to accept and understand differences. Because of this, we have poor citizens, unstable workers, and unstable voters. Mr. Wash-

ington pointed out the challenge to the Council to use a new attack. He thought that SRC should go after large foundation sums for the purpose of making citizens who will function better generally, since the foundations have shifted their focus toward human relations and away from the older intellectual education. Such a program would involve people who are experts in the field of human relations -- social workers, social psychiatrists, psychiatrists, etc.

Dr. Dent stressed that the first step is to define our goals. He believed that the acceptance of segregation is dangerous, and that if the Council cannot retain its respectability in the South while saying segregation must go, then it should forfeit its respectability. He thought that the natural effect of accepting segregation is that students and teachers say, "There must be some difference between Negroes and whites because we are segregated," and that the Council will get nowhere as long as it accepts the status quo. He made the further point that the South must get rid of Superintendents of Negro Schools and Assistant Superintendents of Negro Schools; that supervisors should be appointed on the basis of areas of work rather than race. Another problem is that teachers meet separately. He thought that it makes little difference what is in the textbooks; what is important is who teaches the textbooks.

Rabbi Mantinband recommended that the Council should explore what is being done in human relations in Northern institutions with the hope of setting up something similar in the South as soon as possible.

Mr. Wellons asked whether the time was not ripe for a frontal attack to cause legislatures to do away with segregation, and if not, should we set that as a ten-year or twenty-year goal.

Dr. Dent urged that the Council clarify its own thinking on where we want to go. Changing textbooks could have been done twenty-five years ago. Now the Council should take the lead in social planning in the South, thinking about what the South is going to be fifty years from now. Our planning should be centered

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on what we want to see the South like. Even if we agree on aims, there will be disagreement on how fast change should come.

It was pointed out that textbooks were studied twenty years ago. The chief problem of the teacher is not dealing with textbook material, but with a mechanism of teaching that is related to Dr. Dent's major point. Furthermore, Negro children have certain attitudes toward whites brought about by the way the schools are administered; they are seldom taught that there are white people who make sacrifices to bring about democracy.

At this point, it was voted that the meeting should pursue the present topic as far as it could, rather than adhering to the agenda.

Mr. Richardson recalled that the meeting yesterday agreed that there were two things to be considered. There is certainly a good deal of bad teaching going on, and one area for work is concerned with teachers and children. The other area is with the people who prevent good things from being taught.

Mr. Wright proposed approaching some agency which might assist in preparing textbooks. Mr. Richardson thought that it had been yesterday's consensus that the major part of any money received for the purposes under discussion would go to working with the top-level people and developing a constructive attitude among them.

Mr. Wilke spoke to Dr. Dent's previous point about the effect of segregation on the attitudes of teachers and children. It had been his experience that white children who had attended school all their lives in non-segregated school systems became convinced that "something was wrong" with Southern Negro children because they do not attend school with white children.

Mrs. _____ (Texas) agreed with previous speakers that the Council should state openly that the elimination of segregation is our ultimate aim.

Mr. Fleming commented that the staff has thought a good deal about the problems which had been raised by this group, and the Executive Committee has asked for exploration and clarification of the problems. He thought that two things should be taken into consideration. The first is that the shotgun approach is the result of lack of resources; a scientific approach such as has been envisaged today would take a good deal of money. The second problem is whether it helps to draw a blueprint for fifty years from now when further resources have been found. The Council is dependent on a small number of people scattered throughout the South in widely varying places; any blueprint we might draw for fifty years from now might be suitable for one place and all wrong for another.

The point was made that Southern young people are ready to push ahead, and that if the Council fails to speak out against segregation it will lose their support. Recent editorials in college newspapers supporting the admission of Negro students and speaking against segregation were cited.

Dr. Dent thought it was not sufficient for New South to report progress in the South, but that it should take a lead. He felt that we are much behind the younger generation, and that if we cannot state a philosophy and say what we think, we should close. It was his view that the Council would not lose money by so doing,

Mr. Dabbs wondered whether, if young people know where we are going, it is necessary for us to state out goals specifically.

Rabbi Mantinband proposed that the Committee urge the Council to sharpen its pronouncement, and thought that such a pronouncement could be diplomatic enough not to give offence. He believed that the Council does many good things without talking about them, and that if we talk a great deal about goals,

talking may be the only thing accomplished. He thought the Council might consider revising and sharpening the statement of purpose as ~~[illegible]~~ it appears on its publications.

Dr. Read commented that the actual demonstration which the Council gives of people working together is worth a good deal more than resolutions. Multiplying the instances of cooperation would be more effective than statements which might get into the papers. The question is whether we will get where we want to get faster if we include people among us who are moderate.

At this point, the Committee adjourned for lunch.

Mr. Wright was of the opinion that the weakening of the local interracial groups might be partially explained by the fact that the goals which the groups had set themselves were actually being attained. For example, they came into being when it was almost beyond reason to think that Negroes would vote, or would enter State universities, so that whites and Negroes organized to attain those rights. In less than twenty-five years, those rights either exist or are just around the corner. Perhaps this slackening at the moment is due to that fact that action is being taken by the courts and has passed out of our hands.

Mr. Saporta We should not sit back and be complacent about what has been achieved. Rapprochement on a local level is just as important as on the national level. We have had an interesting experience at Georgia Tech. The Tech boys are a good cross-section of Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and they have all the expected prejudices. We don't think a direct approach on the matter of segregation will do much good; but here is the sort of thing that is happening. This year one of their problems had to do with slum clearance. We encouraged them to talk to representatives of the Negro group during their investigation of facilities. Through that contant they have come to admire representatives of the Negro race; they saw that there is not so much difference as they had thought; they found that the Negro people they talked to were far more help than the whites. And when time came to pick a jury to judge their work, they themselves proposed that Negroes should be included. Southern young people are much further ahead than we think. They are ready to accept the breaking down of artificial barriers.

Mrs. Tilly spoke of her experiences with local groups in the past few months. The committees that have been organized recently feel that they have a real place of service because of the school situation. But it is hard to get new groups organized because of the political campaigns. She herself did not feel as pessimistic as some here seem to. The average white person may be further

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away from Negroes, but, in Georgia at least, it is due to the type of political campaign that has been waged rather than to the Supreme Court decisions. We find a white person to go to bat for good things in every community. And if we are farther apart, at least more people are thinking about the subject than ever before. One of the things we need may be leadership.

Mrs. Tilly mentioned also that in Thomasville, Georgia, the County Superintendent of Schools is on the local interracial committee.

Dr. Moron said that in his observation, during the last two years the barrier of segregation is being attacked by a solid Negro group and not by an interracial group. Even after the court issues an order, there remains the problem of implementing the order. The court can say there must be a new school, but we don't have anything like a corps of Negroes and whites who can work at getting a bond issue promoted. Mr. Wright's remarks, he said, caused him concern, because one of the greatest needs for interracial cooperation is in matters affected by court decisions.

Mrs. Tilly thought that the Atlanta school suit has done Georgia some good. There is a feeling that something has to be done to improve schools so that segregation won't be broken down. A recent meeting of school superintendents in Athens had a session on Negro schools, and almost every superintendent wanted to go into that session. The suits are really bringing some groups together who feel they have to work things out together.

Mr. Shea thought that indications were that we have moved beyond the paternalistic phase; in church organizations, for instance, we are beyond the stage where race relations means having suppers together. Now Negroes are going to take part in governments. The paternalist gets cold feet. We are losing those who don't want to stand up and be counted with us. We can not go to those who have felt the effect of education and are willing to go along with us. Our key to the future is to emphasize our activities everywhere we can. The old guard is falling from our ranks, and we find the new guard willing to go forward.

Dr. Mays wondered whether, if we are in a slack period, it is not a temporary inevitability. Years ago when the fight was to get high schools where there were no high schools, it was very easy to get outstanding ministers and professors to say, Yes, Negroes ought to have high schools, and to sign petitions. But when we move up on the level where we ask, not for high schools, but for high schools just as good as anybody else's, when we say if the schools aren't just as good, then we want to get into your schools -- then segregation is being threatened. Dr. Mays believed that it is a sign of progress that there is a temporary period of falling off.

Mrs. Hamilton pointed out that an important question is the role of the Council. Perhaps the Council needs to look at the basis on which it is asking the people of the South for support, and perhaps we must be firmer and more forthright than we have felt it was wise to be.

Pointing out that the topic of the role of local interracial committees was chosen by the planning committee for discussion with certain considerations in mind, Dr. Moron asked the Executive Director to comment at this point.

Dr. Mitchell made the point that the strain and change coming out of the war situation make it important to organize every possible resource that crosses the barriers of race. It is of the greatest importance that we organize in every community across the South. More local communities should use the Home Town Self-survey; he mentioned briefly what had been accomplished in Greenville. Though the survey there was too limited in scope, great results have been achieved. The important thing is not to found a whole new series of interracial committees; the important thing is to find the people who can work together.

Dr. Dent mentioned his own comment in the morning session. It had seemed to him that the greatest single factor contributing to the lack of understanding in the South is the separation in schools. He thought that the Council could not be effective until it said whether it wanted ultimately to see segregation elimi-

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Dr. Mitchell: We have worked on the problem generally. We put out a good pamphlet on the growth of the Negro vote, the obstacles, etc. We have joined in everybody's push on civil rights. One of the chief ~~preoccupation~~ activities of the Fellowship of the Concerned is working with mayors, election officials, sheriffs, and other officials.

Mr. Neal: Would not a proper activity of the Council be to explore what injustice to the Negro has done to white people?

Dr. Mitchell: White people have no idea of the energy and civic willingness, competence, loyalty, and skill of the Negro people in the South. We can make white people see that their stereotype of the Negro is not the Negro without the pressure on him. If the pressures were released, the Negro people of the South would become like the Negro people elsewhere.

Rabbi Mantinband: I ~~[illegible]~~ have been given to understand that only a thousand of our three thousand members are not delinquent in dues. Is there something in our machinery that is wrong? Can we do something besides just enrolling members?

Dr. Mitchell: We have cleaned out from our files hundreds of people. What has caused the loss of members is the increase in dues.

Mr. Hughes, commenting on the matter of determining goals, remarked that he hoped that the goal of the Council could be said to be the attainment of practices in human relations in accordance with the Constitution of the United States and expressed in the ethical ideals of the highest religions.

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At this point, the President called for reports from the two new State Divisions, Arkansas and Louisiana.

Mr. Fogleman, reporting for Louisiana: Mrs. Tilly came to Louisiana a week ago for the meeting in Baton Rouge at which the Louisiana Division was organized. There was a large delegation from New Orleans, where a local Committee on Race Relations has been active. We organized on a temporary basis, and Mrs. Cohn was chosen temporary State Chairman. Father Toomey of Loyola was elected first vice-chairman; C. C. Fogleman of Pineville, second vice-chairman. About 75 people were present, and the enthusiasm was high. An Executive Committee was established on a temporary basis. The first meeting will be held in New Orleans on November 28.

Mrs. Tilly added to his report that the meeting was quite enthusiastic and accomplished a number of things: they approved a Constitution and by-laws and a program, and set a budget of $8,000.00.

Mr. Wilke, reporting for Arkansas: Since its organizational meeting, the Division has met once; that was just a few weeks ago. At that time it was decided to set up an Advisory Board of twelve members, including the officers. The officers of the Division are: myself as President; Mr. Charles Hicks, State Department of Education, Little Rock, Vice-President; Rev. Charles Walker, of the Little Rock Congregational Church, Secretary; and Mrs. Floyd Bates, of North Little Rock, Treasurer. The Executive Committee is to meet November 17th. We are thinking of starting a system of having meetings in various parts of the State to get support; only two out of the eight members of the Executive Committee are in or near Little Rock. The others are scattered throughout the State.

We have two projects under study: (1) a study of hospital facilities in Little Rock, and (2) meetings between the students at the white Junior College and at Philander Smith to discuss some of the problems we have been discussing today.

Glenn Rainey, Chairman of the Finance Committee, described the 50 for '51 campaign now under way. It was his sentiment that before discussing what the Council should do, the Council needs first to become an organization in some real sense of the word. One of the first obligations of the membership is to keep the Council going. In Georgia, people got on the phone and raised money. In each State there has to be a small group to keep behind this effort. If the membership want this organization to do anything, it must go out in each State and find fifty people who will give or raise a hundred dollars apiece; otherwise, what has gone on at this meeting is just wasted breath.

At this point, the Executive Director presented the proposed budget. (See attached.) Until two years ago, he paid, the Council ran on fifty to sixty thousand a year. In 1949, with the loss of the Rosenwald money, the budget was stepped down to $35,000.00. Unless $15,000.00 is found within a matter of months, the Council cannot continue to operate, and that money will have to be found by the people in the States. He recommended 50 for '51 as the most fruitful device, and recommended the setting up of a small committee, with a Chariman, in each State. To raise the $15,000.00 needed immediately will require only seventeen people in each State who will give or raise a hundred dollars. The Executive Director did not recommend the adoption of the budget as presented, but suggested that this meeting recommend the continuance of the Council for an indefinite period, the Executive Committee being authorized to determine for how long.

On motion of Mr. Wright, duly seconded,

4. IT WAS VOTED that the organization go on record as authorizing the Execu-

tive Committee to exercise its judgment as to further continuance beyond such period as it shall define; and that, if sufficient funds are not forthcoming to warrant continuance, the Executive Committee shall have authority to act.

Mr. Wright, as Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, reported that no resolutions had been submitted to the Committee. On behalf of the Committee he asked a rising vote of thanks to the Phyllis Wheatley Y.W.C.A. and its staff for their courtesy and hospitality. This was done.

On motion, duly seconded,

5. IT WAS VOTED that, in view of the fact that the Executive Committee and the Board are studying a new structure for the Board of Directors, the full list of vacancies in the Board membership should not be filled, and that the Board of Directors be invested with the power to name new members to fill the three vacancies occurring because of death or resignation.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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Afternoon membership meeting, November 8, 1950. Summary of Group A's morning discussion by Dr. Harold Trigg.

DR. TRIGG: Dr. Richardson summarized yesterday's discussion, emphasizing the inadequacy of much of the teaching material now in use, the problem of getting into the schools, and the need for the cooperation of teachers, principals, and superintendents.

The question of improving textbooks brought some objection from members of the group who thought that problem was settled twenty-five years ago; it was not pointed out that textbooks are newly adopted every five years. It was brought out that we have a problem of segregation not only of people, but of ideas -- we have Brotherhood Week, Negro History Week, etc., set apart from the rest of the curriculum. Intercultural education needs, it was thought, to be a continuing process and to permeate all areas of study. It was also thought that we must go into libraries, into Y's, and other agencies, placing materials, and having discussions; and that our efforts to change materials in use should not be limited to Negro history, but should cover other subjects as well.

Dr. Washington indicated an approach from the self-interest point of view: getting rid of inadequacy of personality. So many people offer problems because they are inadequate; they must find someone they are better than. Mr. Washington thought we could

motivate the people in positions of leadership by showing them that people make better workers when they are adequate. We should bring in psychologists, social engineers, and psychiatrists to help on the problem.

Dr. Dent thought the Council needed to redefine its objectives. What we want to do is determine who is to teach children, and not merely what is taught. This brought up the annual issue of segregation. Dr. Dent thought there should not be assistant superintendents in charge of Negro schools, and that supervisory officers should be responsible for areas of study or activity rather than for schools along racial lines.

Rabbi Mantinband thought the Council should explore the work done by other organizations in intercultural education.

Dr. Read was of the opinion that the Council serves its most important early function by demonstrating, without saying too much about it, people working together on problems regardless of race.

Dr. Dent thought it was not sufficient for New South to report progress, but that it should take the lead in determining policy and trends or get out of the field.

No conclusions were reached by the group.

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Afternoon membership meeting, November 8, 1950. Summary of Group B's morning discussion by Dr. Alonzo Moron.

DR. MORON: We were asked to discuss three questions yesterday morning: approaches to racial understanding through what teachers teach; preparedness for stress -- the work and status of local interracial committees; and the rest of the Council's program: organization, budget, self-surveys, publications. In the afternoon we reassembled to discuss the questions as a Board.

On teaching, the group discussed the need for materials to be put in the hands of teachers which would give them information needed on Negro history, origins, contributions, present economic and social status, outstanding accomplishments of Negroes -- material which would offset materials found in textbooks at present. It was the feeling of the group that we need to develop better materials to supplement what is being used now. This raises a number of problems:

1. The need for financial support to develop people competent in the field of educational techniques, to develop material in intercultural education, and to put material in a form that teachers can use. This would require a competent staff and would call for a grant of considerable size. The suggestion was made that this Council go on record endorsing that kind of project and suggest to the staff that it seek financial aid for such a project -- one of rather impressive size aimed at preparing materials, but also taking the necessary step of getting the materials to the attention of state boards of education, state textbook commissions, and teachers themselves. Members of state boards of education should be called to meet as a group, then state and local superintendents, followed by meetings of teachers and, finally, a continuing job should be done

with teachers. If we could announce to the state boards of education, for example, that the Southern Regional Council in cooperation with X Foundation, is sponsoring a meeting of school board officials from the entire South, it was felt that the prestige would be so great that attendance would be very good.

2. The problem of thedevelopment of resources we now have: teacher training institutes, summer schools, etc. We must give to teachers the information they need, but, most important, impart an appreciation of the need of passing good relationships on to children. The meeting was also aware of the need to do the job for Negro children, as well as white, in preparation for the time when relations will be much closer than they are now.

In the second study group yesterday there was discussion of the need for re-examining techniques we have mastered and can use in times of stress. The question of local interracial committees was discussed. There was some exploration of the number and degree of activity of the local groups we now have. In this morning's session the consensus was that the number of interracial groups is decreasing rather than increasing. Throughout the discussion it was stressed that, as we move to actual steps for getting specific things done (such as equalization of school facilities, elimination of segregation in transportation) there seems to be a tendency for the movement to become less interracial. Negroes, it was felt, are more and more going into these movements by themselves. It was brought out that, as a Council, we ought to exert every effort to keep these movements interracial. There was a feeling that we need urgently to re-examine what we are doing in our communities and see to what extent we are increasing interracial activities or splitting apart. There was considerable feeling that Negroes are becoming more concerned with getting things done now than with building solid interracial fellowship.

There were some bright spots in some communities: Houston is bringing together people of different races and religions, making use of the alliance of Negro and white ministers and of the association of rabbis.

We discussed the need for developing techniques of community organization, for getting Negroes on policy-making boards, and encouraging Negroes with prestige to risk running for office. We talked about the problem of how to get people on a high social, cultural, and economic level -- people who know about the theory of government -- on familiar terms with the people who are active in politics and run the governments. We should not think of integration as being limited to racial or religious characterizations of groups, but including economic and social groupings as well. Someone suggested finding out what kind of pressures politicians will recognize: one of them, of course, is the large body of voting people in the community. The first need is to bring out the vote in each election; the rest is the problem of organizing people to vote, providing leadership so that things like the large ballot, obscure language on the ballot, etc., such as occurred yesterday in the Georgia election, can be explained to them.

Finally, we discussed the need for using existing organizations within the community. Bring the churches into the picture, point out the Christian approach to the problem of race relations. The need in these times for broadening our scope, to use our organizations to cover not only interracial relationships, but intercultural relationships as well.

The last question for discussion -- organization, and plans for the future work of the Council -- we did not have an opportunity to go into.

1st Rough draft

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council met December 8, 1950, in the Lounge of the Phyllis Wheatley Branch of the Y.W.C.A., 599 Tatnall Street, N.W. The following members were present:

Emerson Smith
D. Swan Haworth
John A. Griffin
Glenn W. Rainey
N. C. Newbold
Guy B. Johnson
Paul D. Williams
Mrs. James S. Crate
R. D. Wellons
A. W. Dent
Marion A. Wright
Gordon B. Hancock
Forrester B. Washington
Dr. Benjamin E. Mays

Staff members present were: George S. Mitchell, Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Bertha Johnson, Mrs. Norma Huff, Mrs. M. E. Tilly.

The meeting came to order at 4:25 P.M.

Dr. Mitchell opened the meeting by presenting the matter of vacancies on the Board. This year there is a long list of people whose second term expires and who cannot be re-elected until after an interval of time. There are eight whose terms expire. Three persons -- all of them members of the class of 1950 -- are off the Board fot other reasons: Mrs. Jessie D. Ames, who resigned; and Mr. Louis Jaffe and Dr. Luther Jackson, who died during the year. Because of the reorganization plan, it would seem reasonable not to fill all of the vacancies, but it does seem reasonable to fill those which occurred for natural reasons.

~~The Nominating Committee~~

Since there was the possibility that the Board would have turned down the reorganization idea, the Nominating Committee to fill vacancies on the Board went ahead and prepared a full list of recommendations to membership. Of these, several seem particularly desirable:

Mrs. E. O. Robinson, of Tennessee. ~~She is a Methodist leader~~ A leading Methodist Church woman, and Mrs. Tilly has been anxious for her to be a Board member.

Louis Strauss, Richmond, Va. An adviser to Rockefeller. Paul Williams would like him to be a member.

Congressman Arthur W. Mitchell, Petersburg, Va. Because of the good work he has done & proposes to do for the Council.

Webster Rhoads, Richmond, Va. Head of Miller and Rhoads Department store. Paul Williams recommends him.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

1. IT WAS VOTED that the following be elected to membership on the Board: Mrs. E. U. Robinson, Mr. Louis Strauss, and former Congressman Arthur Mitchell. Webster Rhoads was elected as an alternate in case Mr. Strauss refused.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

2. IT WAS VOTED that the present slate of officers of the Council be retained, as follows (NAME THEM)

Dr. Mitchell noted that Miss Josephine Wilkins had moved out of the South and was therefore ineligible to continue as a member of the Board and of the Executive Committee. Recommendations for membership on the Executive Committee which had been made by the Nominating Committee were listed. Upon motion, duly seconded,

3. IT WAS VOTED that the following be elected to the Executive Committee:

1-Rufus E. Clement
3-Charles S. Johnson
7-Marion A. Wright
4-Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton
5-Gordon B. Hancock
6-Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. James McNamara
2-Paul Christopher

The ex-officio members continue as before.

Upon motion, duly seconded,

4. IT WAS VOTED that Mr. Williams be empowered to appoint a committee to study the proposal made by Forrester Washington in the annual meeting earlier.

Dr. Hancock suggested that the Durham Statement be studied. He wondered if the committee could not read, revise, and amend the Durham Statement. Mr. Williams agreed that that statement would be drawn on by the committee. Mr. Washington stated that, as the maker of the original motion, he would agree to that.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:40 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

December 16, 1950 10:00 A.M.

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Invocation

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Finance Report

Special Committee

Libel

By-laws amendments

Other Business

Adjournment

Rough Draft.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of the Executive Committee

December 16, 1950, 10:30 A.M.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council met at 10:30 A.M., December 16, 1950, in the Council offices, 63 Auburn Ave., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. The following members were present: Msgr. T. James McNamara, Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton, Rufus E. Clement, and Marion A. Wright.

Staff members present were: Mrs. Norma Huff, George S. Mitchell, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Harold C. Fleming, and Elizabeth Rogers. Also attending in an advisory capacity were John A. Griffin and Mrs. Helen Cohn, members of the Board.

In the absence of Charles S. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Wright took the chair.

Mrs. Huff presented the Financial Report. (See attached.)

Mr. Wright expressed himself as favoring the policy set up at the last annual meeting of having each person pay for his own lunch. He further repeated his conviction, expressed at the annual meeting, that in view of the cost of the annual meeting, the Council should have a smaller governing body. Msgr. McNamara concurred in the latter statement.

Mrs. Huff remarked that a smaller body convening more often would be as expensive as convening a larger body once a year. It was Msgr. McNamara's opinion that if the pinch came, the smaller body would be more likely to forego having their expenses paid.

In reply to a question from Mr. Griffin about expenses for the rest of the year, Dr. Mitchell said that the Council would be another $500.00 in the hole by

the end of the year. By the end of the year the current debt will be $3,000.00, plus the additional $7,500.00 owed to Mr. Byrd and Dr. Mitchell. He pointed out that this was much better than the financial picture in former years, when the Council ran six, eight, or nine thousand in the hole. Another thing to keep in mind is the fact that the Council this year has absorbed an unstated three-thousand-dollar debt to the Home Town Self-Survey -- money which had been given for a two-year period and which was used up the first year.

The Executive Director discussed the progress of the 50 for '51 campaign. Reports had just gone out on what had been done in each state to the chairman of the State committees or to a key person in states which have no chairmen.

The question of a smaller Board was discussed, Dr. Mitchell pointing out the advantage of a large Board from the standpoint of fund-raising and from the standpoint of having a truly representative Board. Mr. Wright expressed himself as being in favor of a compromise: a very small Executive Committee, and a larger Board which would truly represent both races, all parts of the South, and the many interests now represented on the Board; the Council to be under obligation to pay the travel expenses of the Executive Committee only. Dr. Mitchell and Msgr. McNamara both indicated that they favored the compromise.

Mr. Fleming raised the question of where ultimate power would lie if the change were made. It was pointed out that the ultimate power lies in the membership, which chooses the Board and gives it interim authority. The Board then chooses the Executive Committee and vests authority in it. The Executive Committee might be reduced in number and payment of travel expenses be limited to it, without any change in this basic arrangement. The Board would then become an advisory body.

Msgr. McNamara proposed that the structure remain the same and that the Board go on record as favoring paying the expenses of the Executive Committee be paid for interim meetings only, and not for the annual meeting. A general ob-

jection was raised to this on the grounds of the importance of having all the Executive Committee present at the annual meeting.

Dr. Mitchell turned to Mr. Williams' proposal by telephone that the Committee reverse the decision made at the annual meeting to publish New South only six times a year, because of the $2,500.00 grant from Marshall Field to publish New South during the next twelve months. Dr. Mitchell briefly reviewed the history of the grant, read the letter from the Field Foundation which came with the grant, and his own memorandum on how the $2,500.00 should be spent. (See attached.) It was the opinion of the staff that an obligation to publish New South for the next twelve months was entailed in the grant, but felt that twelve separate issues did not have to be published, since the Foundation was aware that two issues were sometimes combined. They felt, however, that to cut publication down to six issues would not be living up sufficiently to the terms of the grant.

It was the consensus of opinion among those present that postage for New South, and some part of Mr. Fleming's salary, could also be met from the grant.

After some further discussion, the Committee members present expressed themselves in favor of a monthly report to the Field Foundation, the report to include: a copy of the current issue of New South, plus a financial statement of exactly what costs were met out of the grant. The group favored the publication of New South as nearly once a month as possible, and wished to make that recommendation, subject to the approval of the other members of the Executive Committee.

A proposal to approach the owners of the Wesley Memorial Building with a request that they make a contribution of rent was vetoed strongly by the staff and the veto accepted by the members of the Committee.

Mr. Wright proposed that the communities in which self-surveys were made be asked to bear part of the cost of Mrs. Fleming's salary. The following discussion ensued:

Mr. Wright proposed that communities in which self-surveys were made be aksed to bear part of the cost of Mrs. Fleming's salary. He thought this could be done by suggesting to the community that the Council could send in a skilled professional who would spend a specified period of time in the community to advise on the survey, and that the community should meet that person's salary for that length of time. The following discussion ensued:

Dr. Mitchell: I would not like to ask that that be done. If we put a salaried person over the local committee, they will make the salaried person make the survey. A better way to raise money in connection with a survey is to wait until the survey has been done and then ask for contributions from people in the community.

Mr. Wright: I believe that Rock Hill people will make very substantial contributions.

Msgr. McNamara: What has been the follow-up in Jacksonville?

Dr. Mitchell: Excellent. The committee has met every six months to tick off what has been done and what they want to do next.

Msgr. McNamara: To be able to point to concrete accomplishments there will give you strength as you go into other communities.

Dr. Mitchell: About costs -- about all a community will undertake is the travel for the person who goes in to advise them.

Mr. Fleming: Actually, in Rock Hill it required a subsidy to get the survey going. If we manage to sell the interracial aspect, we have done quite a job of selling. To undertake to sell services too is too much.

Mr. Wright: If a community goes along with meeting the travel expenses of

the expert, they have been sold on the principle that will persuade them to pay salary. It seems to me the fee could be put on a per diem basis.

The staff expressed themselves as being in favor of using the per diem basis, but asked that some leeway be allowed to meet particular cases.

It was therefore the consensus of the members of the Executive Committee present that communities using the Council's aid in making a survey should pay travel and a per diem fee for such aid, but that if the staff concludes that in a particular case the attachment of the per diem feature would defeat the result desired, the staff shall have discretion to omit that feature.

Mr. Fleming pointed out that the arrangement in Greenville actually benefited the Council financially because an issue of New South was printed virtually at the expense of the Greenville committee. In addition, some new memberships came from Greenville as a result.

Dr. Mitchell mentioned a forthcoming grant for carrying on the self-survey project. The foundation which subsidized the survey project two years ago has given the Council another $1,000.00 provided the Council can match it with $1,500.00. Of that amount, $1,000.00 is in sight -- $500.00 from Mrs. Ascoli, and another $500.00 from the Anti-Defamation League.

*** It was the consensus of the Executive Committee members present that any per diem fees collected might be applied to make up the additional $500.00 needed.

Dr. Mitchell referred to his recommendation made at the Board meeting in November that unless $15,000.00 were on hand by three months from now the Council liquidate, unless it is plain that someone can assure the balance from some other source. It was the feeling of the staff that the most serious aspect of the Council's financial difficulty is the fact that the program is crippled.

At this point, the meeting turned to a consideration of the Augusta Courier matter. Dr. Mitchell gave the background, reading the exchange of letters with the Courier.

(DR. MITCHELL: Should the letters be included as addenda to the minutes to give the other Committee members a clear idea of what happened?)

Mr. Abram, stating that the Council definitely had grounds for action, then briefly outlined the aspects of libel law which would apply in this case. The fact that a person has been called a Communist in print is per se regarded as libellous, and special damage does not have to be proved. A corporation, however, cannot sue for libel, but in this instance a court would probably hold that a charge of Communism brought against the Council reflects on the Board of Directors, so that a suit could be brought by any member of the Board. He thought that any court would bring a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, and that the following damages could be obtained: the one-cent nominal damages; special damages relating to making a livelihood; almost unlimited damages (I FIND I DID NOT GET THIS ONE CLEARLY IN MY NOTES); and, in view of the language of the letter, punitive damages, which would be practically unlimited.

If the Courier is a corporation, its assets would be liable, and if not, then Roy Harris's assets.

Mr. Abram then turned to a consideration of where suit could be brought. Normally, the place to bring suit would be in Richmond County. In this case, suit could be brought in Federal Court, However, actually, suit can be brought in any place where the defendant or his assets can be attached. It was his opinion that if the suit were brought in any court besides the Richmond County Superior Court, the decision would be in favor of the plaintiff.

Regarding costs, Mr. Abram said that such a suit would normally drag on for several years and might cost as much as $15,000.00. However, with a lawyer interested in the principle involved, he thought the cost would run about $5,000.00 or $10,000.00. He concluded by saying that the decision did not have to be made immediately, since suit could be brought at any time within a year.

Dr. Mitchell pointed out one complicating factor. When the Georgia legislature convenes in January, it will have before it a bill to establish a Georgia Un-American Activities Committee. The Council could be the No. 1 case.

There was discussion of approaching Harris through an intermediary, Msgr. McNamara in particular feeling rather strongly that the "out" which Harris had left himself by referring to a connection between the Council and the Southern Conference for Human Welfare should be pointed out to him, that he should be reminded of the fact that he had laid himself open to legal action, and that he could retract by stating that he had confused the two organizations. It was Mrs. Tilly's belief that Harris had actually been confused about the distinction between the Council and the Southern Conference when he wrote the story. It was her feeling that Bishop Moore could persuade Harris that he was in the wrong.

Dr. Mitchell's advice was that the Council should be satisfied with any form of retraction which Harris might publish.

Mr. Wright pointed out that acually the letter from Harris admitted that he had made the Communist-front charge wildly and without foundation.

In response to a query of whether newspaper editors who know and like the Council could be persuaded to come out strongly in their columns and deny Harris's charge, Mr. Fleming pointed out that editors are reluctant to repeat a libelous charge even in denial because they then become liable to prosecution. He

stated that the wire services had considered carrying the story but decided against it, and that the Constitution was the only newspaper in Georgia to mention the Courier article.

Mrs. Hamilton followed the foregoing proposal up by asking if some newspaper columnists could not be persuaded to run some material about the Council and, without referring to Harris' charge, contrast the Council with the Southern Conference.

Others present expressed themselves in favor of approaching editors who know the Council with some such proposal. Msgr. McNamara thought that the Council should be prepared for another blast from Harris.

Mrs. Tilly believed that a letter from Morris Abram or Leonard Haas should go to Harris to staff for time until after the legislature meets in January. She also proposed that Msgr. McNamara write to Harris, which he expressed himself as willing to do; and that Dr. Mitchell see Bishop Moore about approaching Harris personally, which he also agreed that he would do.

Mr. Wright proposed that the staff continue to consult with Morris Abram and Leonard Haas, and that the matter be put in full before Paul Williams by correspondence; That, in addition, the Council's friends in the press be asked to take occasion to compliment the organization without reference to the charge of Communism. He proposed further that if Harris should retract, it would be entirely prpper for other papers to reprint the retraction and comment editorially on it. Mr. Fleming added that since the Constitution had printed the original charge, it most certainly should reprint any retraction, with the same prominence that it gave the original chage. He thought that any further talk of the matter in newspapers should be confined to that. This was amended by Mr. Wright with the suggestion that the Constitution not only reprint the retraction but comment on it editorially.

The Committee members present approved the suggestion of Mr. Wright that if Harris failed to reprint a retraction Dr. Mitchell should ask Leonard Haas or Morris Abram to write Harris such letter as they thought well.

The meeting now turned to a consideration of the application to the Ford Foundation. Dr. Mitchell quickly summarized the decision taken at the Board meeting to approach that Foundation, Forrester Washington's proposal and John Griffin's motion. It was his belief that both functions would be discharged if the Executive Committee appointed a special committee to advise on matters of broad policy and at the same time frame an application to the Ford Foundation; one of the considerations behind this proposal was the fact that it would cost about $350.00 to convene such a committee. He mentioned that Paul Williams had suggested by telephone a list of eleven possible names, from which a fairly large committee could be chosen.

The following possibilities had suggested themselves:

1. Resource-Use Education is being used fairly widely through the South. Much of the concern in this field has been in human relations. It has had a grant from TVA to study ways of expanding its range. John Ivey, who worked with it in North Carolina, has said that he could arrange for the Council to be consulted as the study is made. It was Dr. Mitchell's opinion that what will come out of the study will be rather weak and lukewarm,

Dr. Mitchell's feeling was that the Council could well do a pamphlet for teachers and perhaps three for students aimed at different age levels which would be useful here. However, he felt that a proposal to the Ford Foundation to support the writing of such pamphlets would be slim, vague, and not too promising.

2. John Griffin made a proposal a few days ago to spproach the Ford Foundation

for a grant of $90,000. -- $30,000 for Emory, $30,000 to Atlanta, and $30,000 to the Council. Atlanta and Emory would do research in human relations looking to the preparation of materials, the Council to print the materials and put on an action program to get them used all over the South.

3. We have proved that we can carry on home town self-surveys successfully. We need to do intensive State-by-State work to get them into wide use. The way to do that is to have a paid person in each State. We can approach the Ford Foundation for enough to pay half or two-thirds of the salaries of such people, the State Divisions to raise the rest. That person would seek out towns where surveys are needed. We would need around $50,000.00 a year for three years.

Mr. Wright believed that Mr. Griffin's idea would be the most salable one. Dr. Mitchell pointed out that it would save us the task of setting up a research group in the Council.

There was some discussion of the possibility of offending other colleges if Emory and Atlanta were asked to participate in the program, but it was thought that this was not a danger, because the colleges participating in the program should be located here, and Emory and Atlanta were the two logical ones here. Dr. Mitchell spoke of the possibility that the University of Kentucky might participate if Emory did not wish to. Dr. Clement, representing Atlanta, said that, although this was the first he had heard of the proposal, he could assure Atlanta's whole-hearted co-operation, and Mr. Griffin promised to begin negotiations at Emory.. To meet the possible objection that similar human relations research was going on in other parts of the country, and had been for some time, Mr. Griffin stated that Mr. Robert McIver, who had been in Atlanta during the past several days, had been in on the discussion of the plan and had expressed the belief that the special nature of the human relations problems in this part of the country would justify asking for funds to do research here.

Dr. Clement expressed himself as being very strongly in favor of such a project, and said that he believed it would appeal very strongly to a foundation. The project is imaginative; the two institutions are already engaged in going research; and there is an action agency, the Council, tieing them together.

Msgr. McNamara expressed himself also as being impressed by the proposal.

To a questionfrom Mrs. Hamilton about how long a program had visualized, Mr. Griffin responded that the plan was so new that that question had not yet been studied.

Mrs. Hamilton recalled the discussion in the annual meeting in November and said it was her impression that the group which had talked about goals had been working toward the idea that the Council needed to develop a statement on goals which all groups represented in the Council could unite. She wondered what points a research and action program would give greatest attention to. Before approaching a foundation to ask for money for a five-year or ten-year program, we should know what the program ought to be focused around.

Dr. Mitchell said he believed that for a short period to come the lower schools of the South would continue to be segregated. The research on human relations has up to now been focused on unsegregated school systems. He thought that what we need to do is find a way to report human relations in the segregated school systems.

Dr. Clement thought that the problem had to be thought through. It seemed to him that the big problem is Negro-white relations in the South. The problem is a big one, affecting not only this area but the nation and the world. Our hope is to improve Negro-white relations by what we do, but we don't know what is best to do, and we want money to study the question of human relations in the South. We propose, under the auspices of these three ~~organizations~~ agencies working to-

gether, to raise certain questions, look at certain problems, and in various ways to do certain things to try to find out how to improve human relations. We know that the public schools are one area, but we would like to be free to explore all avenues. We ask for an initial grant of so much to work for such-and-such a period of time, and if it is useful we want to come back for more. If the program is a three-year matter, we will set certain goals; if five years, certain others.

Mr. Wright proposed asking Atlanta University, Emory University, and Council staffs to prepare a proposed tentative proposal to approach the foundation for a grant in such an amount as they shall agree upon, the proposal as outlined in the draft to be allied to the field of human relations in the South, if not directly concerned with it; that that first draft would then be put before the Executive Committee by mail prior to the time of its next meeting, at which time they can amend and revise it in such way as would not jeopardize the program agreed upon.

Mr. Griffin thought that Mr. Clement's proposal had partly answered Mrs. Hamilton's previous point about goals.

~~Dr. Mitchell agreed to advise with Paul Williams about the appointment of a committee. In addition to submitting the project to the members of the Executive Committee, the~~

Dr. Mitchell agreed to advise with Paul Williams about the appointment of a committee to which, in addition to the members of the Executive Committee, the proposed project would be submitted. This committee in addition would convene to discuss broad policy.

Mr. Griffin said that Alex Miller of the Anti-Defamation League had been interested in the project and thought that money for it might be raised locally through a new foundation which was being proposed.

Msgr. McNamara proposed that, even if Emory were not interested in the project, Atlanta University and the Council go ahead with the preparation of a pro-

spectus. Dr. Clement so moved, and the members present agreed.

It was agreed that the prospectus should be submitted to the special committed as well as to the Executive Committee. Then the next meeting of the Executive Committee can get the views of the special committee.

Msgr. McNamara inquired whether anyone had published the results of a study made by Kelly Barnett some years ago showing that a tenet in Protestantism before the Civil War, was that Negroes are inferior. He thought it very likely that the influence of that kind of thinking in a region, as a sort of hang-over, could be very important.

The discussion returned to the matter of fund-raising. It was Dr. Mitchell's opinion that the 50 for '51 campaign would bring in not more than three to five thousand dollars by the middle of March. Cardinal Spellman has promised $1,000.00 in January, and Paul Williams thinks Cardinal Stritch will make another gift of $1,000.00 later in the year. The Sidney Hillman Fund has not yet met. He thought the Council might receive enough to carry through until the end of 1950.

Marion Wright had two proposals. The first was to have Paul Williams broadcast, possibly by transcription, in several cities on behalf of the Council, either directly or indirectly seeking funds. He thought that even if no contributions came in, the prestige of the Council would be enhanced. It was his view that radio stations might be willing to give the Council some free time. Cities suggested by Mr. Wright and others were Atlanta, Richmond, or Charlotte.

This second suggestion was to have newspaper friends sponsor a public application for contributions to the Council. Dr. Mitchell suggested, in connection with this, that simultaneous campaigns be run in several cities.

Mrs. Cohn wondered if it would be possible in a given community to sell the leading business man on the idea that it would be money in his pocket if the eco-

nomic situation in the South were different. She thought that men who could not be reached by a liberal appeal might be sold on the Council's program in this way. Dr. Mitchell thought that if we had the right person in each community, that could be done.

Dr. Mitchell, under instruction of the Committee members present, undertook to advise Paul Williams that the committee to prepare a policy for the Council should be convened as soon as practicable and should be circulated by mail first to prepare policy for the consideration of the Executive Committee, who could then hold it over for the Board.

The meeting turned to the proposal to secure foundation funds for the home town self-survey project. Mr. Clement suggested that the Council approach the Spelman Foundation, which is interested in politics and public relations. It was his belief that that foundation would be interested in this particular kind of project.

There was some discussion of whether a paternalistic attitude had been involved in previous surveys, many of which had stopped with a survey of the Negro community. Staff members pointed out that whereas, in many of the surveys, a paternalistic attitude had been implicit at the beginning, the experience of white committee members in working with Negro members had caused a change in them. The group concurred in Mr. Clement's judgment that much of the paternalism can be removed from such projects if they are developed as X Community looks at the Negro community, rather than "our" Negro community.

At this point the meeting adjourned for lunch.

Mr. Wright having left the meeting, Msgr. McNamara took the chair.

(DR. MITCHELL: At this point there was some informal discussion which you said need not go in the minutes. Do you want me to transcribe it?)

Mrs. Cohn was asked to talks about the experience of her group in New Orleans in conducting ~~institutes of~~ teachers' institutes. The following were her chief points:

1. Their experience had shown that it was absolutely necessary to enlarge the areas of contact between white and Negro teachers. Until the institutes began bringing them together, white and Negro teachers in New Orleans had had no contact with each other at all. Now they had begun to see that their problems were the same.

~~Mrs. Cohn suggested that~~

2. The teachers had said that one difficulty they faced was that they could not do what they wanted because of principals and teachers.

3. ~~If in city~~ In places where it is difficult to get teachers or other institutionalized groups together, ~~the New Orleans~~ Mrs. Cohn suggested turning to the non-institutionalized groups.

4. Parochial school teachers also might be brought into the intergroup education program.

5. Regarding ~~in~~ Mr. Griffin's proposal, Mrs. Cohn suggested that the research should be well integrated with the needs of the people it is to serve. One of the ways to achieve that would be through information constantly coming from teachers', superintendents', principals', and similar organizations. 6. The ~~idea~~ advantage of working through inservice training programs is that private groups within the community are encouraged to conduct classes. ~~That~~ It is a ready-made support for a good program for a private group like the Council to come into the school and conduct institutes. Mrs. Cohn insisted that material cannot just be put into the hands of ~~an~~ a teacher who has no training ~~and~~ in how to use it wisely.

Mr. Griffin thought that ~~it would be~~ this ~~point~~ last would be one of the arguments for including in the proposed program not only people ~~who~~ to write material, but field people as well.

(The subsequent discussion of authoritarian vs. democratic classrooms was not, I believe, to go in the minutes. I can transcribe it if you want.)

At this point, Dr. Mitchell turned to the list of eleven persons mentioned by Paul Williams as possible persons to serve on the special committee to examine policy. (LIST THEM.)

It was agreed by the group that Mr. Williams be urged to appoint a committee which would combine the functions of early advice to the Council on major policy matters and review of particular foundation requests which would be ready for their study and approval when they meet. Msgr. McNamara thought that it would be possible to go ahead with this without getting the approval of the Executive Committee as a whole.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Points for approval of Executive Committee:

1. Matter of social security (not covered at this meeting).
2. More frequent publication of New South.
3. Approval of application of per diem fees to the extra $500 needed to match the $1000.00 grant for the Home Town Self Survey project.

Others ?

Letter to go to all members of Executive Committee ....

To all member of Executive Committee:

Here are minutes of the meeting held December 16. A quorum is five, and only four members were present.

Nevertheless, important matters were discussed and made the subject of recommendations for action by the Executive Committee on a mail ballot.

These were as follows:

1. Motion to restore publication of New South to a monthly basis. The grant from Marshall Field which will about cover printing costs on a monthly basis makes this possible.

In favor: _____

Against: _____

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Sincerely,

Half-letter to go on Executive Committee minutes:

Dear _____:

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Please do your best to give us your reply promptly.

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ACTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - 1951

Executive Committee Meeting - December 16, 1950

Quorum not present

Suggested that publication of New South be same frequency as of past years.

Agreed that funds from Marshall Field grant might be used for New South postage and some of Mr. Fleming's salary.

Directed that a report be sent to Field Foundation after each issue of New South including copy of issue and costs charged to the fund.

Voted to request per diem for SRC staff members used by communities ~~xxxxxxxxx~~ doing the Self-Survey. This per diem is to be in addition to travel and is to be requested at the discretion of the staff member.

Discussed statement in Augusta Courier re "Communist-front SRC", and directed the Counsel to send more formal request for retraction in case retraction requested by Executive Director was not made by Two weeks from December 11th.

Discussed formation of a Special Committee on policy for the Council and suggested names for committee.

From mailing to members of Committee because quorum not present at meeting.

Committee agreed by mail on following:

1. Publication of New South monthly.
2. Request for per deim for staff members working with Communities on Self-Survey
3. Agreed to have Policy Committee of 9 or 11 members to be appointed by president. Committee to advise Council on policy and study and approve request of Council to Foundation.
4. Voted to have Council staff participate in Old Age Benefits under new Federal Security Act.
5. Recommended that free time be secured on radio stations for promoting work of SRC. Mr. Williams to be used.

Meeting of March 3, 1951

Approved salary adjustments recommended ~~by~~ in budget submitted to 1950 Annual Meeting.

Adopted revised budget for ten month period from March through Dec. 1951

Voted that matter of notes to Mr. Byrd be left with Mr. Haas, Dr. Mitchell and Mr. Williams.

Voted to take on legal action on matter of Augusta Courier.

Recommended that delinquent members not be carried longer than 2 years. This in order to reduce expense of sending them New South,

Authorized the special committee to pass on appeal to major foundation.

Meeting of June 30, 1951

Authorized President to appoint nominating committee to prepare 3 lists of nominations

1. simple replacement of Board members whose terms expire this year
2. collapse of Board and Executive Com. into Executive Board and appointment of 50 man Advisory Committee
3. Setting up of self-perpetuating Board.

Authosized Council to continue operations at present level.

Voted on date for Annual Meeting - Nov. 14, 1951 at Atlanta University.

Accepted resignation of Mrs. Norma Huff as Secretary-Treasurer and approved appointment of Katherine Stoney as Acting Secty.-Treasurer pending conformation of Board at Nov. meeting.

Approved "Open Letter to Three Governors" for publication in New South.

Meeting of October 26, 1951

Discussed and approved plans for formation of Southern Commission on Equal Penalties in Courts of Law.

Discussed and approved Statement of Policy prepared by Special Committee

Authorized Mr. Williams to appoint special committee of Executive Committee to prepare possible by-laws in event of a substantial enlargement of Council's work.

Made recommendations for organization in case Council could assist the State Divisions finances from general budget, including suggestion that State Divisions getting such assistance be required to have policy in conformity to general principles of Council.

AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
OF DECEMBER 16, 1950

As no quorum was present, the staff, on instruction of the members of the Committee who were at the meeting, circularized all the members of the Executive Committee on three proposals made at the meeting. In addition, the staff queried the members on another proposal not discussed at the meeting, namely coverage of the Council staff under Social Security. The letter sent out to the Committee members was as follows:

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Voting was as follows:

No. 1. 9 for. 0 against. 1 not voting.
No. 2. 1o for. 0 against.
No. 3. 10 for. 0 against.
No. 4. 9 for. 1 against.

Mr. Marion Wright desired that the minutes show that it was recommended at the December 16 meeting that, if possible, free radio time over as many stations as possible be secured for an address by President Williams with the aim of securing contributions; and that favorable newspapers be asked to use editorial columns in urging gifts to the Council. The recommendation included the suggestion that such broadcasts by Mr. Williams should be by transcription and should be made in several cities. Stations which might give the Council some free time were thought to be those in Atlanta, Richmond, and Charlotte.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Meeting of the Executive Committee

December 16, 1950, 10:30 A.M.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council met at 10:30 A.M., December 16, 1950, in the Council offices, 63 Auburn Ave., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. The following members were present: Rufus E. Clement, Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton, Msgr. T. James McNamara, and Marion A. Wright.

Staff members persent were: Harold C. Fleming, Mrs. Norma Huff, George S. Mitchell, Elizabeth Rogers, and Mrs. M. E. Tilly. Also attending in an advisory capacity were Morris Abram and John A. Griffin, members of the Board, and Mrs. Helen Cohn, who has lately let the Council's work in New Orleans and Louisiana.

In the absence of Charles S. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Wright took the chair.

Mrs. Huff, as Secretary-Treasurer, presented the Financial Report. (See attached.)

Discussion followed on the proposal to reduce the size of the Board, partly as a matter of saving money. The members present were in favor of this change. Dr. Mitchell said that the Council would probably add another $500.00 to its current debt by the end of the calendar year, making a total debt of nearly $3,000.00, in addition to the Council's other obligations. In the event that further foundation sums are received this year, the current debt would be reduce by such amounts. The picture is comparatively good on current indebtedness. In previous years the Council has had at the end of the year a larger current debt, and it was to be borne in mind that during 1950 the Council had ~~completed~~ met its obligation to operate the Home Town Self-Survey project at a cost of about $3,000.00, notwithstanding the fact that funds for the project had not been saved over into 1950.

The progress of the 50 for '51 campaign was reviewed. There is pressing need for greater activity within the States in this campaign, and the Executive Director undertook to do everything possible to make the campaign really rewarding.

President Paul Williams had suggested that the Executive Committee at this meeting return the publication of New South to something like the frequency of recent years. In view of the stringency of funds, the Board Meeting in November had authorized the publication of New South on a bi-monthly basis.. Now that money is in hand to assist the publication of New South, the Committee agreed that it would be desirable to put it out with the usual frequency.

The Committee was of the opinion that from the Marshall Field grant for New South it would certainly be permissible to pay postage for mailing out the magazine and some part of Mr. Fleming's salary.

The Committee, on motion, directed that a report be sent to the Field Foundation after publication of each issue of New South, providing a copy of the issue and a financial statement of just what costs toward it were met from the grant.

The Committee members favored publication of New South as nearly once a month as possible.

Mr. Wright inquired whether in future home town self-surveys arrangements could not be made with the communities for the local committee to carry some part of the salary of the Council's advisor. The point was considered a difficult one, but on the whole the Committee was in favor of the plan and, upon motion, instructed the staff to request payment of a per diem in addition to travel when the services of the ~~Council's advisor were to be used.~~

Council's advisor were to be used. The motion, however, specifically permitted the omission of such charge in instances where in the discretion of the staff the attachment of the per diem feature would defeat the result desired.

Members of the Committee pointed out that any per diem fees collected might be applied to making up the sum required to match a foundation contribution of $1,000.00 toward the self-survey project for 1950, the actual grant of which had been conditioned upon the raising of another $1,500.00.

The Executive Director turned the discussion to the recommendation he had made at the November Board meeting that unless approximately $15,000.00 of money not at present within sight were in hand within the first three months of 1951, the Council should consider measures toward liquidation. It was his view that the 50 for '51 campaign offered the principal relaince for obtaining such a sum.

Mr. Abram, serving in the absence of Mr. Leonard Haas as Acting Counsel, being present, discussion turned to the libel of the Council printed in the December 11 issue of the Augusta Courier. This small weekly newspaper, operated as a personal political organ of Mr. Roy Harris, a powerful figure in Georgia governmental circles, had reprinted from the September-October issue of New South the article by Dr. Benjamin E. Mays entitled "Why An Atlanta School Suit?" In introducing the article, the Courier had stated that it had been drawn from "New South, a magazine gotten out in Atlanta by the Communist-front Southern Regional Council." On behalf of Southern Regional Council, Inc., the Executive Director had on December 11 obtained advice from President Williams, from Mr. Haas, and from others and had addressed the Augusta Courier demanding retraction within two weeks. Mr. Roy Harris for the Augusta Courier had replied abusively and had requested back issues of New South so that he might inform himself about the Council. A number of back issues and pamphlets had been sent him December 13 by the Council, with re-

newed demand for a retraction within two weeks from December 11. Mr. Abram advised the Committee as to the practicability of suit for libel in case such suit appeared advisable.

After full discussion, the Committee felt there were some grounds for hoping that the Augusta Courier would retract. In the event that the two weeks deadline expred, the Committee desired that counsel address to the Augusta Courier a more formal demand for retraction.

Various proposals were made as to a suitable proposal to make to the Ford Foundation in requesting a grant. The one meeting with most approval was for a cooperative project with Atlanta University and perhaps Emory University for research by university staffs on materials in human relations suitable for use by teachers and students in Southern Schools, coupled with an action program by the Southern Regional Council and its field forces for getting such material in use..

An alternative proposal for greatly stepping up the Home Town Self-Survey project by finding funds to pay the major part of the salaries of paid secretaries to the several State Divisions, such secretaries to be charged mainly with development of survey projects, was liked, but it was felt that other foundations than Ford might be more favorable to it.

Mrs. Hamilton recalled that a good part of the discussion in the annual meeting in November had turned to developing a statement on goals on which all groups represented in the Council could unite. She wondered what points a research and action program would give greatest attention to. Before approaching a foundation to ask for money for a long-range program, she thought we ought to know what the program should be focused around. Dr. Mitchell said he thought that for a period of time to come the lower schools of the South would continue to be segregated, and there was therefore need for an interim program for research on human relations geared to that situation.

Mr. Clement expressed the view that the research program contemplated could assist in obtaining answeres to the various major problems of human relations in the South. The public schools are one part of it, but the program should be free to explore all areas. If the program is a three-year one, certain goals should be set; if a longer one, other goals.

The interest of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith in a project of this general nature was mentioned.

Mr. Wright proposed asking Atlanta University, Emory University, and the Council staff to prepare a tentative proposal to approach one of the major foundations for a grant in such amount as the three should agree upon, the proposal outlined in the draft to be allied to the field of human relations in the South, and such draft then to be put before the Executive Committee by mail prior to the time of its next meeting, at which time the Committee can amend and revise it. Others proposed that the policy committee contemplated in the Board meeting on November 8 by used at this time and its membership consulted as to the proposed human relations project, such consultation to be in addition to its longer range function of advising on and if possible drawing up an agreed statement of policy. The Executive Committee agreed that the project proposed should be submitted to both itself and the other committee as soon as it should be appointed by President Williams.

Dr. Mitchell, on instruction by the Committee members present, undertook to advise Mr. Williams that the committee to consider a policy should be convened as soon as practicable and should make use of correspondence to prepare a policy statement for the consideration of the Executive Committee, who would presumably

then hold it over for the Board.

After luncheon adjournment, Mrs. Cohn discussed the experience of the New Orleans Committee on Race Relations in conducting teachers' institutes. From numerous detailed suggestions, she brought out the general recommendation that progress in education in human relations within a segregated school system depends ultimately upon enlarging the areas of contact of school officials, teachers, and parents as well as improving the instructional materials available for teachers and school children.

Dr. Mitchell listed for the Committee the names suggested by President Paul Williams as suitable persons for appointment to the special committee on policy, as follows:

(PICK UP NAMES FROM MEMO)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Note – Sorry for this delay in answering the phone. I gave my votes verbally to Dr. Mitchell over the 'phone.

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INFORMATION IN RE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, prepared for Executive Committee meeting June 10, 1950.

The Class of 1950 contains 14 persons now members of the Board. They are as follows:

Rufus B. Atwood, Kentucky William E. Cole, Tennessee Gerald P. O'Hara, Georgia David D. Jones, North Carolina Raymond Paty, Georgia Philip Shulhafer, Georgia Goodrich White, Georgia Josephine Wilkins, Georgia	None ofthese are eligible for reelection, since 1950 marks the end of their second term
Felton Clark, Louisiana Emily Clay, Florida D. V. Jemison, Alabama Edgar W. Ray, Florida	eligible for reelection
Donald M. Comer, Alabama Charles M. Smith, Virginia	elected 1949 for unexpired terms which end in 1950

In addition, the class contain three vacancies:

Jessie Daniel Ames, North Carolina, resigned
Luther D. Jackson, Virginia, deceased
Louis I. Jaffe, Virginia, deceased

Thus the number of elections possible in filling this class is 17.

In addition, the following other vacancies are available:

One in the class of 1953, to which E. L. Abercrombie was elected, (1949) but did not accept.
One in the class of 1952, to which the Rev. Mr. D. Swan Haworth, of Mississippi, was elected in 1949, but which he did not accept.

Thus the total number of vacancies available is 19.

Of this number 8 are not elegible for reelection. Six are eligible for reelection, but one of the six (Donald Comer), has indicated that he wishes his term to expire in 1950.

In the room of the one person who resigned, and the two persons who died, election may be made to the class of 1954.

Thus the vacancies are as follows:

Class of 1954	-	17
Class of 1953	-	1
Class of 1952	-	1
Total	-	19

The vacancies by states are as follows:

Totals	State	Mandatory	Eligible for Reelection	1953	1952
6	Georgia	5		1	
3	Virginia	2	1		
2	North Carolina	2			
2	Alabama	2			
2	Florida		2		
1	Tennessee	1			
1	Mississippi				1
1	Kentucky	1			
1	Louisiana		1		
0	Arkansas				
0	Texas				
0	Oklahoma				
0	South Carolina				
19					

As to fields of activity, the 19 vacancies classify as follows:

Educators	6	By race	
Churchmen	3	Negroes	5
Church women leaders	1	Whites	13
Businessmen	2		
Newspaper editors	2		
Labor officials	1		
Foundation officials	1		
Women civic leaders	2		
Government official	1		

Aming those eligible for reelection, we would clearly be strengthened by the reelection of

Felton G. Clark, Educator, Louisiana
Charles M. Smith, Gov'T official, Virginia
D. V. Jemison, Churchman, Alabama
Edgar W. Ray, Newspaper Editor, Florida

The reelection of these would leave 15 vacancies to be filled

A suggested classification for replacements of the 15:

3 business leaders
2 churchmen
1 woman civic leader
2 church women leaders
2 newspaper editors
2 educators
1 labor officials (A F of L)
2 miscellaneous
15

The following names have been suggested for some of the vacancies:

Business leaders

Churchmen — The Rev. Matt. Warren, Episcopalian, Atlanta, Ga.

Woman civic leaders — Mrs. Lillian Rogers Johnson, Jeanes Supervisor, Clarksdale, Mississippi
Miss Bethany Swearingen, Reference Librarian, Jxs, Miss

Church women leaders — Mrs. E. V. Robinson, Methodist, Tennessee

Mrs. C. C. Withington, Episcopalian, Greenville, S.C., chairman of the survey committee there

Newspaper Editors — Harry Ashmore, Arkansas
Don Shoemaker, Asheville, N.C.

Educators

Labor Officials — Mrs. Carmen Lucia, United Cap, Hatt, and Millinery Workers, A F of L., Atlanta, Ga.

Misclellaneous — Mr. R. P. Daniel, Lawyer, Jacksonville, Fla. (second term, after interval).

Dr. H. Long, Atlanta Life Insurance Co., Ga.
Dr. Mason, Public Health Service, Atlanta, Ga.

States badly underrepresented, in total Board at present

Oklahoma, Louisiana, Texas., Mississippi, Arkansas, Alabama

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By-Laws

Revision

State Division

CC: MarionA. Wright

Same letter to: Florida Division
South Carolina "
Tennessee "

August 7, 1950

Mr. A. D. Beittel, President
Talladega College
Talladega, Alabama

Dear Mr. Beittel:

Here is a technical matter requiring action by your next annual membership meeting. Merely a matter of bringing written by-laws into conformity with present actual practice.

Your by-laws contain the following clauses:

"Note: $1.00 of the dues of each SRC member in Alabama will be returned to the Treasurer of the Alabama Division. Likewise, any contribution earmarked by Alabama members for use in Alabama will be returned.

"These by-laws may be amended at any annual meeting of members, or at any special meeting called for that stated purpose, by a majority of the members present."

Since the by-laws were written, the Council's dues have been increased, as you know, to $3.00 single and $4.00 joint membership. We have also now another category -- $10.00 Sustaining Memberships.

As to the $10.00 memberships, you know that we are recommending that the division be $7.00 Atlanta and $3.00 State Division treasuries. If your Division approves this 7:3 ratio and is willing for the ratio on ordinary dues to be $1.50 out of each $3.00 membership and $2.00 out of each $4.00 joint membership, then your by-laws would need to be amended as follows:

"Note: One-half of ordinary and joint membership dues for each ordinary or each joint membership in Alabama will be returned to the Treasurer of the Alabama Division. Out of each ten-dollar Sustaining Membership, $3.00 shall be returned to the Treasurer of the

Alabama Division. Likewise, any contribution earmarked by Alabama members for use in Alabama will be returned in full."

I do not mean by supplying this language to attempt in any way to influence the decision of the Division. That is the business of the Division in consultation with the Council as a whole.

The matter arises by reason of the keen memory of [illegible] member of SRC's Executive Committee. We ought to have records over and straight.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:er

[illegible] Huff

From the Minutes, Executive Committee meeting, June 10, 1950:

"Mr. Wright believe that he recalled an agreement signed between the Council and the South Carolina Division that a state amount would be returned to that State, and asked that this be looked up and if need be brought up for amendment. It was his view that similar agreements might exist with other States."

Norma: Will you please review this matter from the files and see what you can find?

GSM

memo —

maybe [illegible] has spoken to you about it already

GSM- This is in the By-laws

"Note: $1.00 of the dues of each SRC member in South Carolina will be returned to the Treasurer of the South Carolina Division. Likewise, any contribution earmarked by South Carolina members for use in South Carolina will be returned.

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Appears also in the bylaws of:
Fla., Tenn., Ala.,

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August 22, 1950

MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council, Inc.

FROM: George S. Mitchell

Your Executive Director has spent some time in reviewing the by-laws, having in mind the possibility of making organizational changes. It will be recalled that the last two meetings of the Executive Committee have requested that this matter be explored.

If it is desired to go forward with this proposal, a possible plan is outlined below.

Cease to have a Board of Directors

Cease to have an Executive Committee.

Substitute for both a single Executive Board.

Members of the Executive Board might be the President and the four Vice Presidents of the Council, ex officio, with voice and vote, plus fourteen members elected by the annual membership meeting. The Executive Director and Associate Executive Director should be expected to attend meetings of the Executive Board and should have voice but not vote, and should not count toward a quorum.

It would be well to provide for automatic replacement for members of the Executive Board. A suggested method would be to elect two in the first instance to a one-year term, four to a two-year term, four to a three-year term, and four to a four-year term. That gives the fourteen elected members, staggered, plus the officers, who are also annually elected by the membership.

Such an Executive Board should meet quarterly.

Quorum for the Executive Board might be fixed at either nine or seven.

The estimated expense on an annual basis of travel (for a quorum of nine) would be $1,080, which is approximately the annual cost of travel to the single annual meeting of the Board of Directors. Thus the saving effected would be the cost of three meetings of the present Executive Committee, which may be figured at $500 or $600.

So far as I can see, by-laws setting up this structure would be perfectly compatible with the charter of the corporation. Under the charter a majority of members of Southern Regional Council, Inc., may amend its by-laws and, indeed, its charter, either in form or in substance.

In my judgment, the Council, if it adopted such a plan, should provide additionally for a large advisory body. We have many interests which have customarily been represented. Potential contributors to the Council scan very closely the long list of members of the Board of Directors and are more generously inclined when they recognize names of persons prominent in their own church or profession or other interest group.

I would suppose that an Advisory Committee of about fifty would do that job. It should be convened from time to time upon call of the President.

Suggested amendments of the by-laws, being amendments which would accomplish these changes, are submitted herewith.

Present By-Laws

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Election and Powers

The business and property of the corporation, except as otherwise provided by statute, by the charter, or by these by-laws, shall be conducted and managed by its Board of Directors, all members of which shall be actually residing within the Council area, whose actions shall be subject to revision and alteration at the next meeting of the members, provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. The President, the Vice Presidents, the Executive Director, and the Associate Executive Director shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Directors. Heads of State Divisions of the Southern Regional Council, and chairmen of affiliated interracial committees and/or state-wide interracial committees working closely with the Council, shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Directors. All other members of the Board of Directors shall be elected by the members at their annual meeting. Directors who are elected at the first meeting of members after incorporation and such directors as may be added by the Board at its first meeting shall be divided by lot in such a way that the terms of one-fourth shall expire at the second annual meeting of the Board of Directors, October,

Proposed New By-Laws

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1945, one-fourth at the third annual meeting, one-fourth at the fourth annual meeting, and the remainder at the fifth annual meeting. Each director elected subsequently, except such directors as are elected by the Board to fill unexpired terms, shall hold office for four years, and until his successor shall have been duly chosen and qualified, or until he shall have resigned, or shall have been removed in the manner provided in Section 9 of this Article IV. No elected director shall serve more than two consecutive terms of four years each. The number of the first Board of Directors shall not exceed forty (40), exclusive of ex-officio members, but the number of directors may be increased at the first meeting of the Board or at any subsequent time by the vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors as then constituted to not exceeding seventy-two (72) exclusive of ex-officio members, and the vacancies thus created shall be filled by the Board of Directors in the manner provided in Section 8 of this Article IV. The Board of Directors shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions.

Section 2. Regular Meetings. The Board of Directors shall meet immediately prior to each meeting of the members of the corporation and again following such meeting of the corporation, at such time and place as may be designated by the President.

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Section 3. Additional Regular Meetings. In addition to the first regular meeting, regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on such dates as may be fixed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors.

Omitted

Section 4. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held whenever called by the President or as may be provided by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Executive Board shall be held whenever called by the President or by any five members of the Executive Board.

Section 5. Place of Meetings. Subject to the provision of Section 2 of this Article IV, the Board of Directors shall hold its regular and special meetings at such place or places within or without the State of Georgia as it may from time to time determine. In the absence of any such determination, such regular and special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the main office of the corporation in Atlanta.

Section 6. Notice of Meetings. Notice of the place, day, and hour of every regular and special meeting shall be given to each director not less than ten (10) days before the meeting, by delivering the same to him personally, or sending the same to him by telegraph or telephone or by leaving the same at his residence or usual place of business, or, in the alternative, upon three days' notice, or by mail, postage prepaid, addressed to him at his last known post office address, according to the records of the corporation. It shall not be requisite to the validity of any meeting of the Board of Directors that notice thereof shall have been given to any director who is present thereat, or if absent waives notice thereof in writing filed with the records of the meeting either before or after the holding thereof. No notice of any adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors need be given.

Section 7. Quorum. Fifteen members of the Board of Directors shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at every meeting of the Board of Directors; but if at any meeting there be less than a quorum present, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, but not for a period of over fifteen (15) days at any one time, without notice other than by announcement at the meeting until a quorum shall attend. At any such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally notified.

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Section 8. Vacancies. In case of any vacancy in the Board of Directors, through death, resignation, or any cause other than removal by the members, the remaining directors may elect a successor to hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of the director whose place shall be vacant and until his successor shall have been duly chosen and qualified. The Board of Directors may fill any vacancy created by an increase in the number of directors.

Section 9. Removal. At any meeting of the members called for the purpose any director may, by a majority of votes cast, be removed from office for cause, and another appointed in the place of the person so removed to serve for the remainder of his term.

ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Executive Committee. The Board of Directors shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than seven (7) members in addition to the President and Vice Presidents and Counsel; the Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director shall also be ex-officio members of the Committee, but without the right to vote. The Executive Committee shall serve during the pleasure of the Board of Directors and may be discharged and the Committee abolished at any time by the Board of Directors. Unless one of the members shall have been designated as Chairman by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee shall elect a chairman from its own number. During the intervals between the meetings of the Board of Directors the Executive Committee shall possess and may exercise all of the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the corporation, conferred by these by-laws or otherwise, in all cases in which specific directions shall not have been given by the Board of Directors. The Executive Committee shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions. All action by the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Board of Directors at its meeting next succeeding such action, and shall be subject to revision and alterations by the Board of Directors; provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. Vacancies in the Executive Committee shall be filled by the Board of Directors.

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Section 2. Meetings of Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall fix its own rules of procedure, and shall meet as provided by such rules or by resolution of the Board of Directors, and it shall also meet at the call of the Chairman or of any three members of the Committee. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) members of the Committee. If necessary, members of the Executive Committee may by written notice appoint a proxy from among the members of the Board, to attend and vote on behalf of such members.

Omitted.

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Mr. George S. Mitchell, Exec. Dir.
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

Thanks for your nice letter of November 29. I think it is a good by-law which prohibits the Board Members from serving more than two consecutive terms. I still feel very much a part of the organization and will be glad to help whenever possible.

Best regards,

Philip Shulhafer

Philip Shulhafer

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL STATEMENT OF POLICY AND AIMS

DRAFT I

1 Eight years ago, the Southern Regional Council was born out of the conscience and high resolve of a democratic nation at war. Today, in another period of international tension, we are faced with a renewed challenge to provide leadership and direction in a troubled region. It is essential that we assess clearly and wisely the role that the Southern Regional Council is to perform in this critical time.

AIMS

2 The declared purpose of the Southern Regional Council is "to attain through research and action the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the region." This objective has lost none of its timeliness. Although the past eight years have brought unprecedented progress in the South, the job remaining is a vast one, and the pressures of national and international events demand an even speedier advance. Many of our institutions continue to make unfair and unwarranted distinctions between citizens solely on the basis of race. Outmoded traditions, unjustified fears, and ancient prejudices continue to exact a heavy toll on the unity and productiveness of our society.

3 The South of the future, toward which our efforts are directed, is a South freed of these stultifying inheritances from an unhappy past. It is a South where the measure of a man will be his ability, not his race; where a common citizenship will work in democratic understanding for the common good; where all who labor will be rewarded in proportion to their skill and achievement; where all can feel confident of personal safety and equality before the law; where there will exist no double standard in housing, health, education or other public services; where segregation will be recognized as a cruel and needless penalty on the human spirit, and will no longer be imposed; where, above all, every

individual will enjoy a full share of dignity and self-respect.

4 Equal opportunity, truly defined, includes all this and more. We have no illusion that it can be realized in the South quickly or easily or perfectly. Nor do we imagine that the Southern Regional Council can play more than a modest but creditable part toward its achievement. Yet it is the ideal toward which we strive and, short of which, we have a duty to remain dissatisfied. For it is nothing less than the American ideal.

FUNCTIONS

5 We do not believe in the exclusive validity of any single approach or any single organization. There is not only room, but a desperate need for a wide variety of programs concerned with broadening democracy through legal, economic, legislative, religious, and educational means. Moreover, such programs are needed on all levels -- national, regional, state, and local. Every group, like every individual, should chart its course with due regard for the special contribution it is fitted to make.

6 The role appropriate to the Southern Regional Council arises naturally out of its origin and make-up. The Council's main asset is and has always been the people of the South, Negro and white, who understand and want the full practice of democracy, and who at the same time know intimately the old evils that burden the South, and their causes. From such people is the Council's membership drawn. They have wanted a regional organization, not out of any provincial desire to separate the South's problems from the nation, but out of the conviction that such an organization has unique advantages. It can express the best and often neglected elements of Southern thought and conscience; it can serve as a convincing demonstration of Southerners working together as fellow citizens without racial classification; and it can tap local resources and initiative often inaccessible to agencies outside the region.

7 The Council seeks to be a practical organization, concentrating its efforts on working solutions rather than self-righteous and doctrinaire pronouncements. Indeed, that philosophy is basic to an organization which hopes to open closed minds and substitute reason for emotion.

8 The Council, by its very nature, is not a "mass pressure" organization. The number of persons in the South who are able and willing to reject the taboos on interracial effort in their own communities is growing, but it will not soon reach mass proportions. Meanwhile, the Council's membership must function as enlightened citizens acting through the civic life of their communities in behalf of our common principles. Their methods are the established ones of conference, fact-finding, and persuasion.

9 The Council, as a tax-exempt organization, takes no part in political activity. However, it can and does consult with public agencies and officials and makes its influence felt for truly representative government.

10 The Council's functions may be briefly summed up as follows:

To serve as a meeting ground for citizens of all races, occupations, and religious persuasions.

To provide a program adaptable to local need in both the relatively backward and the relatively advanced areas of the South.

To present the facts about the region -- and their implications -- through newspapers, radio, magazines, pamphlets, and other public media.

To counteract appeals to prejudice and violence by demagogues, professional bigots, and hate organizations.

To stimulate local initiative to work for local solutions in full democracy, so that legislation and judicial rulings may be

translated into justice for the individual in his everyday life.

STRUCTURE

11 The basic machinery needed to enable the Council to work effectively for these objectives is;

(1) Trained, competent, professional persons of both races working in each Southern state as agents of improvement in public life.

(2) Staff in a central office of the Council to direct and service the field people.

(3) Interpretation of appropriate research findings from universities and other centers to the practical situations with which the action program will be concerned.

(4) A continuous program of public education and information in which the Council will draw on the experience and findings of both the action program and independent research in human relations.

3500 - members
$3.
10,500.00 - dues

2300
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Organization -
Exec Committee set to report back to membership meeting - five on committee
Pres. appt by nominating

① Change should be sooner the better -
② Membership to the Board - P.W. & GSM could appoint committee
Let 2 committees

Advisory Board be appointed

Recommend adoption of Memo. with advisory committee be setup at once.
Also recommended that the
Advisory Board principally from among present & former Bd members.

N.C.C.J. appropriation

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July 18, 1950

Reverend Kenneth G. Phifer
Oakland Avenue Presbyterian Church
Rock Hill, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Phifer:

The NCCJ did duly appropriate $500.00, and have sent in the check. They have put up that amount as a grant to SRC to enable aid to a Rock Hill survey. (The money comes from the NCCJ itself; Mr. Leon Lowenstein was not approached.)

We thought $300.00 ought to be saved back to be a good lump sum in hand when you get to the publication stage. If we also budget $80.00 for travel by our people to you, that would leave $120.00 as availabel for miscellaneous needs, mostly I should think in Rock Hill, and at the direction of the Rock Hill survey committee. We would propose that checks on that $120.00 be forwarded to the Rock Hill Committee on the basis of letters from the appropriate Committee officer, saying in general terms what expenditures would be covered.

At the end, there should be a financial statement which we could have availabel to support, with NCCJ, the due expenditure of what they put up.

If the Committee has other wishes, let us know. The main thing is to get the job done, flexibly, and locally,

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:jpf

12/4/50

The proposed expenditure has not been approved officially by the Rock Hill people, but is something to go by until further word.

Financial Statement Steering Committee Home Town
Self-Survey, 1-17-51

1-6-51	Received from Southern Regional Council, Inc.		$50.00

Expenditures

1-4-51	Long Distance Telephone Call to Atlanta, Ga. to secure Mrs. Jane Fleming for Jan. 18 meeting	$1.40	
1-6-51	28 pkg. envelopes @ 5¢ ea.	1.40	
1-8-51	Typing service (Peggy Baskin) 2 hrs. @ 50¢/hr.	1.00	
1-9-51	220 3-cent stamps	6.60	
1-9-51	Clerical work (Peggy Baskin 2 hrs. @ 50¢/hr. Joe McAlpine 1 hr. @ 50¢/hr.)	1.50	
1-9-51	1 pkg. (500 sheets) mimeograph paper	1.25	
1-11-51	Clerical work (Peggy Baskin) 1 hr. @ 50¢/hr.	.50	
1-11-51	50 3-cent stamps	1.50	
1-15-51	250 penny postcards	2.50	
1-16-51	Long Distance Telephone Call to Atlanta, Ga. to inform Mrs. Fleming Jan. 18 meeting had been postponed and to order leaflets on aims of Southern Regional Council	2.40	
	Total Expenditures	$20.05	
	BALANCE		$29.95

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Digest of Major Changes in New Social Security Bill

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17—The compromise social security bill that has been passed by both the House of Representatives and by the Senate embodies upward of thirty major changes in the original act, which was put into law in August, 1935, and has been amended several times since.

The most important new provisions affect the following categories: old age and survivors insurance; public assistance; maternal, child health and child welfare programs.

Major alterations in the old age and survivors insurance category will do these things:

1. Extend coverage to an additional 9,700,000 persons, of whom 7,650,000 would be under compulsory coverage, and 2,050,000 might be covered voluntarily if their employers elect to pay social security taxes.

2. Increase benefits for those currently receiving benefits by about 77½ per cent, on the average.

3. Provide a new formula to increase benefits for persons retiring in the future and to liberalize eligibility substantially.

Benefits for Dependent Spouses

4. Provide benefit payments on a more liberal basis to the survivors of married women, and benefits for dependent husbands of deceased or retired women workers.

5. Provide that the wife of a retired man drawing benefits may also draw benefits if she has a child in her care.

6. Increase the benefit for a dependent parent to 75 per cent of the primary benefit (monthly payment).

7. Provide that a lump-sum payment be made at the death of every insured worker instead of the present law's provision that the lump-sum be paid only when no survivor is immediately eligible for monthly payments.

8. Provide that the amount a beneficiary may earn in covered employment without loss of benefits be increased from the present $14.99 a month to $50 per month and after age 75 benefits be payable regardless of the amount of earnings.

Veterans Receive Credits

9. Provide that veterans of World War II receive wage credits of $160 a month for time spent in service, with the provision that wage credits would not be applicable if the period of service is credited toward any other Federal retirement benefits.

10. Agree on the following effective dates:

(A) Effective date for the new coverage provisions, Jan. 1, 1951.

(B) Benefit increases for persons now on the benefit rolls would be effective for the month of September, 1950.

(C) Benefits based on new benefit formula would be first paid in May, 1952. Benefits for persons coming on the rolls before that time will be computed under the present formula, with the increases provided for those now receiving benefits.

11. Increase from the present $3,000 to $3,600 after Dec. 31, [illegible]

age, none of the employes may be covered.

4. If two-thirds or more of the employes vote in favor of coverage, those employes who voted with the majority, plus any employes hired in the future would be covered.

5. Coverage would have to be for an additional period of at least eight years, and, in addition, two years' advance notice would have to be given before coverage could be terminated. Thus, the minimum period of coverage would be for ten years.

Ministers to Be Excluded

Under the bill, ministers and members of religious orders will continue to be excluded.

The 350,000 persons covered as simultaneous employers-employes come within a special definition of employe which includes the following occupational groups:

Full-time life insurance salesmen; agent-drivers or commision drivers engaged in distributing meat or bakery products, vegetables or fruit products, beverages (other than milk) or laundry or dry-cleaning services;

Full-time traveling or city salesmen (other than house-to-house salesmen) taking orders from retailers, hotels, wholesalers, jobbers and contractors; industrial home-workers who earn at least $50 in a calendar quarter if they are subject to regulation under state law and work in accordance with specifications prescribed by the employer.

Government employes or employes of wholly owned corporations of the United States, not covered under any Federal retirement system, will be covered. This provision includes most short-term Federal employes including those serving under temporary appointment pending final determination of eligibility for permanent or indefinite appointment.

In addition, employes of the following Government organizations will be covered:

National farm loan associations; production credit associations; federal credit unions; Tennessee Valley Authority employes (if not under the T. V. A. retirement system); post exchanges and similar organizations under the National Defense Establishment; state, county and community committees under the Production and Marketing Administration, and certain employes of the Federal Reserve System.

Effective date for coverage changes will be Jan. 1, 1951.

100% Rise For Lowest

For persons currently receiving benefits, the benefits would be increased on an average of about 77½ per cent, ranging from about 50 per cent for the highest benefit groups to 100 per cent for low-benefit groups. The following table gives the primary insurance benefit under the old law as against the new primary insurance benefit:

Present	New	Present	New
$10	$20	$35	$59
$15	$30	$40	$64
$20	$37	$45	$68.50
$25	$46	$46	$68.50

Under the new law, as under the old, the wife above 65 years of age still would receive an amount equal to half the husband's monthly benefit. Following is a scale showing the new formula benefits compared to the old:

RETIRED SINGLE MAN

Average Monthly Wage	Old	New
	(Five Years Coverage)	
$100	$26	$50
200	37	65
250	42	72
300	A	80
	(Thirty Years Coverage)	
100	32.50	50
200	45	65
250	52	72
300	A	80

RETIRED MAN AND WIFE

	(Five Years Coverage)	
100	39	75
200	55	98
250	63	109
300	A	120
	(Thirty Years Coverage)	
100	48	75
200	67	98
250	78.20	109
300	A	120

(A) No provision.

Under the new law the average monthly wage would be computed as under the old law, except that if the individual has six quarters of coverage after 1950 and if a larger benefit would result, his average wage would be computed over the period following 1950 rather than from 1936 on.

Under the new law, a widow would receive the same as under the old law—three-quarters of the primary. This, however, is changed in the new law to the extent that in a family where the worker is deceased, the first child would receive three-quarters of the primary while the others would receive the usual one-half.

Whereas the parent formerly received one-half of the primary, the parent will, under the new law, receive three-quarters. Following is a table showing the relative increase of benefits to widows of workers covered for five or forty years, with one, two or three children.

Average Monthly Wage.	Old. Widow, 1 Child.	New. Widow, 1 Child.	Old. Widow, 2 Children.	New. Widow, 2 Children.	Old. Widow, 3 Children.	New. Widow, 3 Children.
	(Covered for five years)					
$50	$26	$38	$37	$40	$40	$40
100	33	75	46	80	52	80
150	39	86	55	115	63	120
200	46	98	74	130	74	150
250	52	109	74	145	84	150
300	52	120	74	150	84	150
	(Covered for forty years)					
50	35	38	40	40	40	40
100	44	75	61	80	70	80
150	52	86	74	115	84	120
200	61	98	85	130	85	150
250	70	109	85	145	85	150
300	70	120	85	150	85	150

As was pointed out in the foregoing, future eligibility requirements have been appreciably liberalized under the new bill. The amended law requires quarters of coverage for only one-half of the number of quarters since 1950 instead of since 1936 as was required under the old law.

Pre-1951 Quarters Count

Quarters of coverage earned before 1951 may be counted toward the requirement. A person 62 or [illegible]

men, and benefits for dependent husbands of deceased or retired women workers are added. If the woman has six quarters of coverage out of the 13-quarter period ending with the quarter of her death, her children will be eligible for monthly survivor benefits even though living with their father. Under the old law such children would be ineligible for benefits.

Under the amended law the benefits for a dependent parent are increased to 75 per cent of the primary benefit as against 50 per cent under the old law.

Statute of Limitations Stands

Authorities in the Federal Security Administration emphasize that the new law retains the two-year statute of limitations. That means the death of an insured worker must be reported within two years of the death. In the past there have been numerous instances in which beneficiaries, under the impression no benefits would be paid until the age 65 was reached, allowed the two-year time limit to expire.

The lump sum at death is three times the primary benefit under the new law as against six times the primary benefit under the old law.

Under the new law there are no provisions for permanent or total disability insurance. There are, however, provisions for aid to permanently and totally disabled individuals who are in need. Also, there is provision for aid to dependent children and the mother or other relative with whom a dependent child is living is included as a recipient for Federal matching purposes. The permanently and totally disabled individuals must be at least 18 years old.

Other principal changes in the category of public assistance are as follows:

1. Raising the percentage of Federal funds in the total monthly payments in aid to dependent children.

2. Providing for Federal Government to share in the cost of payments made directly to medical practitioners and other suppliers of medical services, which, when added to any money paid to the individual does not exceed the monthly maximums on individual payments.

3. Provides that, effective July 1, 1952, a state must disregard earned income, up to $50 a month, of an individual claiming aid to the blind; prior to July 1, 1952, the exemption of earned income, up to $50 per month is discretionary with each state.

4. Provides that a state aid-to-the-blind plan must specify that, after July 1, 1952, there shall be an examination by a physician skilled in diseases of the eye or by an optometrist in determining blindness. Prior to the July 1, 1952 date this is discretionary with each state.

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11. Increase from the present $3,000 to $3,600, after Dec. 31, 1950, the limit on total annual earnings on which benefits would be computed and contributions paid.

12. Raise the contribution schedule to the following rate, shared equally by employers and employes: 1950-53, 1½ per cent each; 1954-59, 2 per cent; 1960-64, 2½ per cent; 1965-69, 3 per cent; and 1970 and thereafter, 3½ per cent. The self-employed will pay 1½ times the above rates.

Under the extended coverage, the old age and survivors insurance system eventually will cover about 44,700,000 out of the total civilian labor force of 64,000,000. Under the old law, 35,000,000 were covered.

The new coverage will include approximately 4,740,000 self-employed persons whose net incomes from self-employment are at least $400 annually. Exceptions are farmers, physicians, lawyers, dentists, osteopaths, profesional engineers, veterinarians, architects, funeral directors and certified, registered, licensed and full-time practicing public accountants.

A breakdown of the new categories covered in the new bill follows:

Nonfarm self-employed, 4,700,000; agricultural workers, 850,000; domestic workers, 1,000,000; employes of nonprofit organizations (voluntary coverage), 600,000; employes of state and local governments (voluntary except for a small number of transit workers who would be compulsorily covered), 1,450,000;

Federal civilian employes not under a retirement system, 200,000; employes outside the United States and territories, 150,000; employes in Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands, 400,000; simultaneous employer-employes, 350,000.

200,000 Farm Borderline Cases

Of the 850,000 agricultural workers, it is estimated that 200,000 are in so-called "borderline" employment, such as processing workers. The remaining 650,000 are regularly employed on farms.

The term "regularly employed" is defined as applying to a person who has had three months' continuous service with one employer before coverage starts, and thereafter employment by that employer for at last sixty days in a calendar quarter (three-month period) with cash wages of at least $50 for services in the three-month period.

Domestic employes, to come within the bill's provisions must be employed by a single employer for at least twenty-four days in a calendar quarter with cash wages of at least $50 for services in the quarter. Domestic employes in farm homes are not covered in this category but may be covered as agricultural workers.

Such persons as baby-sitters may come within the domestic category. Freelance stenographers, typists, etc., can be classified among self-employed.

Provisions for voluntary coverage of employes of nonprofit organizations include the following:

1. If the employer does not agree to pay his share of the contributions, the employes cannot be covered.

2. If the employer is willing to pay his share, a referendum among the employes on the question of coverage must be held.

3. If less than two-thirds of the employes vote in favor of coverage Federal employes including those serving under temporary appointment pending final determination of eligibility for permanent or indefinite appointment.

In addition, employes of the following Government organizations will be covered:

National farm loan associations; production credit associations; federal credit unions; Tennessee Valley Authority employes (if not under the T. V. A. retirement system); post exchanges and similar organizations under the National Defense Establishment; state, county and community committees under the Production and Marketing Administration, and certain employes of the Federal Reserve System.

Effective date for coverage changes will be Jan. 1, 1951.

100% Rise For Lowest

For persons currently receiving benefits, the benefits would be increased on an average of about 77½ per cent, ranging from about 50 per cent for the highest benefit groups to 100 per cent for low-benefit groups. The following table gives the primary insurance benefit under the old law as against the new primary insurance benefit:

Present	New	Present	New
$10	$20	$35	$59
$15	$30	$40	$64
$20	$37	$45	$68.50
$25	$46	$46	$68.50
$30	$54		

The law as amended provides a new benefit formula for future beneficiaries and applicable to those who have at least six-quarters (1½ years) coverage after 1950. The new formula is 50 per cent of the first $100 of average monthly wage, plus 15 per cent of the next $200 (based on a maximum wage base of $3,600 per year). Under the new formula there will be no increase in benefits for years of coverage.

Under the old law the benefits, based on the maximum base of $3,000, were figured thus: 40 per cent of the first $50 of the average monthly income of $250 would equal $20. Ten per cent of the remaining $200 would equal $20. This would make a basic benefit of $40. The increase for years of coverage, or the "increment," was figured at 1 per cent of the basic multiplied by each year of coverage.

Thus, with fourteen years' coverage, a person with $3,000 average annual income, yielding a basic benefit of $40 per month would have an increment of $5.60 per month, making his total monthly benefit $45.60.

Under the new law the maximum applicable income is $3,600. With the new formula, based on an average monthly income of $300, the 50 per cent of the first $100 would be $50 and the 15 per cent of the remaining $200 would be $30, giving a total monthly benefit of $80.

While the others would receive the usual one-half.

Whereas the parent formerly received one-half of the primary, the parent will, under the new law, receive three-quarters. Following is a table showing the relative increase of benefits to widows of workers covered for five or forty years, with one, two or three children.

Average Monthly Wage.	Old. Widow, 1 Child.	New. Widow, 1 Child.	Old. Widow, 2 Children.	New. Widow, 2 Children.	Old. Widow, 3 Children.	New. Widow, 3 Children.
(Covered for five years)						
$50	$26	$38	$37	$40	$40	$40
100	33	75	46	80	52	80
150	39	86	55	115	63	120
200	46	98	74	130	74	150
250	52	109	74	145	84	150
300	52	120	74	150	84	150
(Covered for forty years)						
50	35	38	40	40	40	40
100	44	75	61	80	70	80
150	52	86	74	115	84	120
200	61	98	85	130	85	150
250	70	109	85	145	85	150
300	70	120	85	150	85	150

As was pointed out in the foregoing, future eligibility requirements have been appreciably liberalized under the new bill. The amended law requires quarters of coverage for only one-half of the number of quarters since 1950 instead of since 1936 as was required under the old law.

Pre-1951 Quarters Count

Quarters of coverage earned before 1951 may be counted toward the requirement. A person 62 or over on the effective date of the bill would be fully insured for benefits at age 65 if he had at least six quarters of coverage acquired at any time. The maximum requirement for fully insured status would remain at forty quarters of coverage and the minimum at six quarters, as in the old law. Also, as in the old law, a quarter of coverage would be a calendar quarter with $50 or more in wages.

This liberalization will enable many persons now 65 or over to draw retirement benefits immediately and also will enable the newly covered groups to qualify more quickly. It is estimated about 500,000 additional persons would be paid benefits in the first year of operation.

Below is a table showing the quarters of coverage required under the new law in order to be fully insured as against the old law:

Age Attained in First Half of 1951					
Age	Old	New	Age	Old	New
76 or over	6	6	64	30	6
75	8	6	63	32	6
74	10	6	62	34	6
73	12	6	61	36	8
72	14	6	60	38	10
71	16	6	59	40	12
70	18	6	58	40	14
69	20	6	57	40	16
68	22	6	56	40	18
67	24	6	55	40	20
66	26	6	50	40	30
65	28	6	45 or under	40	40

Under the amended law, benefits are payable on a more liberal basis to the survivors of married wo-

category of public assistance are as follows:

1. Raising the percentage of Federal funds in the total monthly payments in aid to dependent children.

2. Providing for Federal Government to share in the cost of payments made directly to medical practitioners and other suppliers of medical services, which, when added to any money paid to the individual does not exceed the monthly maximums on individual payments.

3. Provides that, effective July 1, 1952, a state must disregard earned income, up to $50 a month, of an individual claiming aid to the blind; prior to July 1, 1952, the exemption of earned income, up to $50 per month is discretionary with each state.

4. Provides that a state aid-to-the-blind plan must specify that, after July 1, 1952, there shall be an examination by a physician skilled in diseases of the eye or by an optometrist in determining blindness. Prior to the July 1, 1952 date this is discretionary with each state.

5. Specifies that an opportunity must be afforded all individuals to apply for assistance and that assistance must be furnished promptly to all eligible individuals.

6. Provides that, effective July 1, 1952, if a state plan for old-age assistance, aid to the blind, or aid to the permanently and totally disabled includes payments to individuals in private or public institutions, the state must have a state authority to establish and maintain standards for such institutions. In the old law there was no such provision.

7. Specifies that in aid to dependent children the states must provide for prompt notice to appropriate law-enforcement officials in any case in which aid is furnished to a child who has been deserted or abandoned by a parent.

8. Provides $4,250,000 maximum annual Federal grant to Puerto Rico and $160,000 to the Virgin Islands for the four categories of assistance: needy persons 65 years of age or over; blind; children under 16 years of age; children 16-17 if regularly attending school; and permanently and totally disabled individuals at least 18 years of age.

9. Authorizes an increase from $3,500,000 under the old law for Federal grants to states for child welfare services in rural and non-rural needy areas to $10,000,000.

10. Increases from $11,000,000 under the old law for annual appropriation for maternal and child health services to $15,000,000 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1950, and to $16,500,000 for subsequent years.

11. Increases from $7,500,000 in annual Federal appropriation to states for services for crippled children to $12,000,000 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1950, and to $15,000,000 for subsequent years.

NOT SO LIBERAL

Benefits Below Truman Demands

By C. E. GREGORY

The new social security law is not as liberal as President Truman asked Congress to make it. The payments are more substantal and the field is greatly widened. However, all the requirements of personal retirement and family needs are not provided for.

Congress did not want to make retirement so attractive that able-bodied workers would seek its benefits as soon as they reach age 65.

The moderate level of the pensions insure that a worker will exercise all the self-help he can, social security experts say. The average monthly pensions will increase during the next few years, experts point out.

Third and final in a series.

Beginning in 1951, maximum retirement will be based on earnings of $3,600 per year. The previous maximum was on the basis of $3,000 a year. After July 1, 1952, earnings from 1950 on will be the basis for calculating average monthly wages. Since the lower wages from 1935 through 1949 will no longer figure in retirement, most workers will qualify for higher pensions.

Under the new law, a man who has averaged $250 a month in employment covered by social security will be entitled to a retirement pension of $72.50 a month at age 65. When his wife reaches 65, she also will receive three-fourths of his pension, or $54.38. Their total of $126.88 falls short by almost $50 of the $175 a month considered by budget experts as necessary to provide an aged couple in a large city with basic necessities and some comforts.

So social security administrators urge workers to keep up their life insurance and save as much money as possible.

Experts point out that the estimated life span after 65 is 12 years. So they say that a retired worker needs at least $6,200 in savings when he retires. This amount of money, with the interest it would earn, will provide the extra $50 per month needed by a retired worker for the 12 years he lives after retirement, they estimate. He needs savings of $10,000 if he lives 20 years after retirement.

One great advantage of social security goes to married children who have been supporting their aged parents. Government pensions not only ease the burden on the children, but they also give the aged an air of independence by having money of their own.

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SIXTY-SIX QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON OLD-AGE AND SURVIVORS INSURANCE AMENDMENTS

The Social Security Act Amendments of 1950 provide for extending the coverage and liberalizing the benefits of the federal old-age and survivors insurance system. Many of the new amendments are complex and lengthy. In order to present in a simplified way the provisions of the new law, the following questions and answers have been prepared by the Social Security Administration of the Federal Security Agency.

It should be remembered, however, that many questions cannot be answered completely and accurately without reference to the law itself or to the regulations and interpretations issued under the law. Consequently, for an authoritative answer to a specific problem it may be necessary to get all the facts before a reply can be obtained. It is best to refer all such inquiries to the nearest local social security office for consideration. (See Issue No. 85)

GENERAL

1. HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE BROUGHT UNDER THE INSURANCE PROGRAM BY THE NEW LAW?

The new law adds about 10 million people to the 35 million now covered in an average week, making a total of about 45 million covered at any one time. The new groups covered include self-employed persons other than farmers and certain professional persons; regularly employed agricultural and domestic workers; employees of nonprofit organizations (on a voluntary basis) except ministers and members of religious orders; employees of state and local governments not under retirement systems (through voluntary agreements between the states and the federal government); American citizens employed by American employers outside the United States; workers in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands; certain federal employees not covered under any retirement system; and certain full-time salesmen, agent drivers and industrial homeworkers.

2. HOW SOON WILL THIS NEW COVERAGE GO INTO EFFECT?

On January 1, 1951.

3. WHAT WILL BE THE CONTRIBUTION RATE FOR THE NEWLY COVERED PEOPLE?

Except for self-employed persons, it will be the same as it is for persons now covered under the program - $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent each for employers and employees until 1954.

COVERAGE OF THE SELF-EMPLOYED

4. HOW MUCH WILL A SELF-EMPLOYED PERSON HAVE TO CONTRIBUTE?

Since he has no employer to contribute for him, his rate will be 3/4 of the combined rate on employer and employee, or $2\frac{1}{4}$ percent until 1954.

5. ARE ALL SELF-EMPLOYED PERSONS COVERED UNDER THE NEW LAW?

No, the following groups are not covered: farmers, physicians, lawyers, dentists, osteopaths, veterinarians, chiropractors, optometrists, Christian Science practitioners, architects, naturopaths, funeral directors, professional engineers, and certified, registered, licensed, or

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full-time practicing public accountants. In addition, other self-employed persons are not covered unless their income from self-employment in a year is $400 or more.

6. DO SELF-EMPLOYED PEOPLE REALLY NEED SOCIAL SECURITY COVERAGE?

Despite the traditional belief that the independent business man is able to take care of himself, statistics indicate that the self-employed need social insurance protection as much as any other group. In 1945, a relatively prosperous year, one-half of all urban self-employed persons had net incomes of less than $1,290, as compared with a figure of $1,615 for wage and salary workers. According to a 1944 survey in Philadelphia, not more than 10 percent of the proprietors of unincorporated businesses could expect to realize, by liquidating their businesses, enough to yield an annual income of $500. Only about one self-employed person out of five has any supplementary income from savings, and most of these receive less than $500 annually from that source. It is clear that coverage under old-age and survivors insurance will be extremely valuable to the self-employed.

7. I AM THE OWNER OF A SMALL BUSINESS. WHAT AM I EXPECTED TO DO UNDER THE NEW SOCIAL SECURITY LAW - HOW OFTEN DO I PAY MY SOCIAL SECURITY, HOW DO I PAY IT, AND DO I HAVE TO GET A NUMBER?

You will report your self-employment income once a year, and pay your social security contribution, when you file your income tax return. A few additional questions will be included in that return for you to fill in. You must also get a social security card and be assigned an account number. You can get your social security number at any field office of the Social Security Administration.

8. I AM SELF-EMPLOYED AND I DON'T INTEND TO RETIRE WHEN I'M 65. WHY SHOULD I HAVE TO PAY SOCIAL SECURITY TAXES IF I CAN'T EVER GET ANY BENEFITS?

You or your family may get benefits even though you do not plan to retire at 65. If you die prematurely your widow and young children will be eligible for monthly benefits, and even if you never retire you can receive benefits at age 75 regardless of your earnings. Moreover, even if now you do not intend to retire at age 65, your health or other circumstance over which you may have no control may require you to retire.

9. HOW WILL PRIOR COVERED EMPLOYMENT AFFECT SELF-EMPLOYED PEOPLE?

Any wages a self-employed person previously earned in a job covered by social security will still be listed on his social security account. These previously earned wages will help to establish his insured status and will be considered in determining his benefits or those of his survivors. His self-employment income will be credited to his social security account in the same manner.

DOMESTIC SERVICE

10. I AM A HOUSEWIFE AND I HAVE A GIRL WHO COMES IN TO HELP ME ONCE A WEEK. DO I HAVE TO PAY SOCIAL SECURITY FOR HER?

No. A domestic worker is not covered unless she works for a single employer on at least 24 days in a calendar quarter (that is, a three-month period) and earns cash wages of at least $50 in the quarter.

11. I HAVE A MAID WHO WORKS FOR ME FOR A HALF-DAY TWO DAYS A WEEK. WILL SHE BE COVERED UNDER THE NEW LAW?

Yes, if she earns cash wages of at least $50 in a calendar quarter. She need not work a full day on each of 24 days in order to be covered.

12. HOW DO I GO ABOUT PAYING SOCIAL SECURITY FOR MY MAID? WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO, AND WHEN AM I SUPPOSED TO DO IT? WHAT DOES SHE HAVE TO DO?

Your maid must get a social security account number. She can get a number, and a card, at any field office of the Social Security Administration. You will have to keep a record of the cash wages you pay her, deduct her contribution of $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent from her wages, match it with an equal contribution, and send the contribution, with a report of her name, account number, and the amount of cash wages you paid her, to the Bureau of Internal Revenue four times a year, beginning next year. Simple forms will be available for this purpose.

13. CAN I PAY THE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION FOR MY MAID IF I WANT TO WITHOUT DEDUCTING IT FROM HER WAGES?

Yes.

14. IS A CHAUFFEUR CONSIDERED A HOUSEHOLD WORKER?

Yes, if the automobile he drives is for family use only. Butlers, valets, grooms, footmen, as well as cooks, housemaids, nursemaids, housekeepers, etc., are considered to be household workers. Laundresses, gardeners, and furnacemen are regular household workers, too, if they meet the conditions described in the previous answer.

15. ARE ROOM AND BOARD CONSIDERED A PART OF CASH WAGES FOR HOUSEHOLD WORKERS?

No. Only wages paid in cash, not wages paid in some other way. For instance - only carfare paid in cash (not in car checks or car tokens) can be counted as part of cash wages.

16. DO CLOSE RELATIVES OF A HOUSEHOLD EMPLOYER GET SOCIAL SECURITY CREDIT FOR THEIR WORK?

The employer's child under 21, spouse, or parent does not receive social security credit for work done in that household. All other relatives are covered by the law, and may receive social security credit for their wages if they meet the 24-day - $50 test.

17. MAY HOUSEHOLD WORKERS BE REPORTED WITH OTHER EMPLOYEES?

Yes. If the household employer is already making social security reports (Form 941) as sole owner of a business or professional practice, the house-worker may be reported on that form together with the other employees. If the husband of the household employer is the sole owner of a business of professional practice, the report on his wife's household worker may be included in the report on his business employees sent from his office.

18. IF A HOUSEHOLD EMPLOYEE LEAVES BEFORE WORKING ON 24 DIFFERENT DAYS IN A CALENDAR QUARTER OR 24 DIFFERENT DAYS IN THE PRECEDING QUARTER, WHAT SHOULD THE EMPLOYER DO ABOUT THE TAX?

If, by agreement with the worker, the tax has been withheld from her weekly cash wages up to the time of leaving, it should be refunded. It will not be necessary to send in a report on her wages.

FARM WORKERS

19. I AM A FARMER. I UNDERSTAND I HAVE TO PAY SOCIAL SECURITY FOR THE MEN WHO WORK FOR ME. WHY DO I HAVE TO PAY FOR THEM WHEN I DON'T HAVE ANY SOCIAL SECURITY FOR MYSELF?

A great deal of consideration was given by the Congress to whether social security should be provided for farmers at this time. Some members of Congress felt that farmers had not expressed a desire for coverage and so should not be covered. The Social Security Administration believes that farmers need social security, and will continue to recommend that they be covered under the program.

20. I UNDERSTAND SOME FARM WORKERS ARE COVERED AND SOME ARE NOT, UNDER THE NEW LAW. HOW CAN I TELL WHICH OF MY EMPLOYEES ARE COVERED?

First of all, the worker has to be "regularly employed" in order to be covered. He is "regularly employed" if he has worked for you continuously for three months (his coverage does not start until after this three-month period is over) and if he works for you on a full-time basis on 60 days in the calendar quarter after the three-month period. In addition, he must have cash wages of at least $50 in the calendar quarter.

21. ARE ROOM AND BOARD OR HOUSE RENT CONSIDERED A PART OF CASH WAGES FOR A REGULAR FARM WORKER?

No. Only wages paid in cash are counted. Room, board, house rent, farm products, firewood, etc., cannot be counted as wages.

22. HOW DO YOU FILE REPORTS ON THESE FARM WORKERS?

On a form (Form 941) furnished to the employer by the United States Collector of Internal Revenue. The employer fills in the name and social security number of the employee and the amount of cash wages paid to the worker in that quarter. This report is sent quarterly to the collector of internal revenue together with the tax on the employee's wages.

23. ARE ANY OTHER AGRICULTURAL WORKERS COVERED?

Yes. Employees of farm cooperatives handling any agricultural commodity, employees of commercial handlers of fruits and vegetables who are getting these products ready for market, and employees of certain agricultural businesses not located on farms, such as poultry hatcheries, are covered. All of the work of these employees is now covered under social security, regardless of length of employment or amount of wages.

NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

24. I WORK FOR A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION. I UNDERSTAND EMPLOYEES OF SUCH ORGANIZATIONS CAN BE COVERED VOLUNTARILY UNDER THE NEW LAW. WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO TO GET COVERAGE?

First, your employer must be willing to pay his share of the contribution, or you cannot be covered. If he is willing to do so, and if at least two-thirds of the employees accept coverage, then those who accept coverage, and all new employees, will be covered. If less than two-thirds accept coverage, then none of the employees can be covered. In order to obtain coverage for some or all of the employees, your employer must file with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue a certificate with the signatures of the employees who desire coverage.

25. IF THE EMPLOYER, OR SOME OF THE EMPLOYEES, IN A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION DO ACCEPT COVERAGE, AND LATER CHANGE THEIR MINDS AND WANT TO TERMINATE THEIR COVERAGE, WOULD THAT MEAN THAT ALL OF THE EMPLOYEES WOULD LOSE COVERAGE?

If coverage is elected the employees must remain covered for a minimum period of 10 years. After that, a decision by the employer to stop paying contributions would result in all of the employees losing future coverage. Two years' advance notice would have to be given before coverage could be terminated, however,

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

26. I WORK FOR A CITY GOVERNMENT WHICH DOES NOT HAVE ANY RETIREMENT SYSTEM. WILL I BE COVERED UNDER THE NEW LAW?

Whether or not you will be covered will depend on action by the state or by your city government, or both. First, the state must enter into an agreement with the federal government. In most cases the state legislature will have to pass a law authorizing such an agreement before this step can be taken. Then either the state or the city government, or both, will have to decide whether the employees of your city are to be covered under the agreement.

27. I WORK FOR A CITY WHICH HAS A RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR SOME OF ITS EMPLOYEES, BUT I DO NOT COME UNDER THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM. CAN I GET COVERAGE UNDER SOCIAL SECURITY?

Yes, provided the city and state take the necessary action, as outlined above.

28. I COME UNDER A CITY RETIREMENT SYSTEM, BUT I WOULD RATHER BE COVERED UNDER SOCIAL SECURITY, AS I USED TO WORK IN COVERED EMPLOYMENT AND WOULD LIKE TO KEEP UP MY PAYMENTS. CAN I GET SOCIAL SECURITY COVERAGE UNDER THE NEW LAW?

No. Except for certain employees of transit systems, state or city employees now covered under retirement systems cannot be covered under social security.

29. I WORK FOR A TRANSIT SYSTEM WHICH WAS TAKEN OVER BY THE CITY IN 1947. WE HAVE A SEPARATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM JUST FOR TRANSIT WORKERS. WILL WE BE COVERED UNDER SOCIAL SECURITY?

Yes.

30. I WORK FOR A TRANSIT SYSTEM WHICH IS COVERED UNDER THE GENERAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR ALL CITY EMPLOYEES. HOWEVER, I USED TO BE COVERED UNDER SOCIAL SECURITY AND WOULD LIKE TO GET BACK UNDER THAT PROGRAM. WILL I BE COVERED UNDER THE NEW LAW?

Transit workers who are covered under a general retirement system can be covered under social security if their retirement benefits are not guaranteed by the state constitution. New York is the only state which does this. Therefore, unless you work in New York State you will be covered.

DEFINITION OF EMPLOYEE

31. DOES THE NEW LAW CHANGE THE DEFINITION OF "EMPLOYEE"?

Yes. The new law provides coverage as employees for some of the groups which were removed from coverage by the Gearhart resolution. The groups covered as employees under the new law include the following:

a. Full-time life insurance salesmen;

b. Full-time salesmen who sell to retailers, hotels, wholesalers, jobbers and contractors (but not including house-to-house salesmen);

c. Agent-drivers who sell meat or bakery products, vegetables or fruit products, beverages (other than milk), or laundry or dry-cleaning services; and

d. Certain industrial homeworkers.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

32. I HAVE A TEMPORARY JOB WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, AND I DO NOT COME UNDER THE CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM. WILL I BE COVERED UNDER SOCIAL SECURITY?

Most temporary and short-term service with the federal government which is not under civil service retirement will be under social security. However, there are certain exceptions to this rule, including census takers, some post office employees, and other minor groups.

33. I WORK FOR AN ARMY POST EXCHANGE. WILL I BE COVERED UNDER SOCIAL SECURITY?

Yes. Employees of the following instrumentalities of the federal government will be covered, if they do not come under any other retirement system: Tennessee Valley Authority, state, county and community committees under the Production and Marketing Administration, production credit associations, national farm loan associations, federal credit unions, army post exchanges and similar organizations, and federal reserve banks.

TIPS

34. UNDER THE NEW LAW, WILL WAITRESSES AND OTHERS WHO GET PART OF THEIR INCOME IN TIPS BE ABLE TO GET CREDIT FOR THEIR TIPS UNDER SOCIAL SECURITY?

Only to the same extent as in present law - that is, only if the employer requires that the tips be accounted for by the employee. If a waitress wishes to have her tips counted she should arrange to report her tips to the employer so he will add them to her other wages in his report for social security purposes.

PUERTO RICO AND THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

35. DOES THE NEW LAW COVER EMPLOYMENT IN PUERTO RICO AND THE VIRGIN ISLANDS UNDER THE INSURANCE PROGRAM?

Yes. Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands are included under the insurance program beginning January 1, 1951. However, the legislature of Puerto Rico must pass an enabling law to make this coverage effective.

WORLD WAR II VETERANS

36. MY HUSBAND WAS KILLED IN WORLD WAR II, AND HAD NOT WORKED LONG ENOUGH BEFORE THAT TO BE INSURED FOR SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS. WILL I AND MY DAUGHTER GET BENEFITS UNDER THE NEW LAW?

Yes, if your husband's covered employment combined with his wartime service is sufficient to make him insured under the program.

37. MY HUSBAND WAS KILLED IN THE WAR AND HAD NEVER WORKED IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT. CAN I GET SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS?

Yes, if his military service lasted long enough for him to be insured. In general he would have to have been in military service for about 18 months before his death to be insured.

38. I UNDERSTAND THAT BEFORE THE NEW LAW WAS PASSED A VETERAN DID NOT GET CREDIT TOWARD HIS RETIREMENT BENEFIT FOR HIS MILITARY SERVICE. IS THIS STILL TRUE UNDER THE NEW LAW?

No. The wage credits provided under the new law apply to retirement benefits as well as survivor benefits.

39. I AM ALREADY GETTING SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS BASED ON MY HUSBAND'S WORLD WAR II SERVICE. WILL I GET HIGHER BENEFITS UNDER THE NEW LAW?

All insurance beneficiaries will receive an increase in benefits under the new law. You may get an additional increase, over and above that provided for all beneficiaries, as a result of the new wage credits. You do not need to apply for the increased benefits; the increase will be made automatically by the Social Security Administration.

40. BEFORE THE NEW LAW WAS PASSED I COULD NOT GET SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS ON MY HUSBAND'S MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE I GET PAYMENTS FROM THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION. WILL THAT STILL BE TRUE UNDER THE NEW LAW?

No. Under the new law, if your husband has enough wage credits to be insured (including the wage credits for World War II service), you can receive benefits even though you get compensation or pension under veterans' legislation.

BENEFIT AMOUNTS

41. I AM GETTING SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS NOW. HOW MUCH WILL THEY BE INCREASED?

The average increase for people now getting benefits will be 77½ percent. However, some will receive more, and some less, than the average; people who are now receiving the lowest benefits will have the greatest increases. The increased benefits are determined through a table in the law.

42. WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO TO GET THE HIGHER BENEFITS?

Nothing. The increases will be made automatically; you do not have to apply for them.

43. I EXPECT TO RETIRE IN A FEW YEARS. HOW WILL MY BENEFITS BE FIGURED?

Your benefit will be computed in two ways, and whichever way results in the higher figure will be used. First, your benefit will be computed under the old formula (40 percent of the first $50 of your average monthly wage, plus 10 percent of the remainder, plus 1 percent of that sum for each year of coverage after 1937 and before 1951) and will be increased by the use of the table for present beneficiaries. Second, if you work for about 18 months after 1950, or longer, your benefit will be computed under the new formula - 50 percent of the first $100 of your average monthly wage, plus 15 percent of the next $200, with no increase for years of coverage.

Following is a table illustrating benefit amounts under the new formula:

Average Monthly Wage	Benefit for a Retired Single Man	
	5 Years of Coverage	30 Years of Coverage
$100	$50.00	$50.00
200	65.00	65.00
250	72.50	72.50
300	80.00	80.00

Average Monthly Wage	Benefit for a Retired Man and Wife	
	5 Years of Coverage	30 Years of Coverage
$100	$ 75.00	$ 75.00
200	97.50	97.50
250	108.80	108.80
300	120.00	120.00

44. HOW DO I FIGURE MY AVERAGE MONTHLY WAGE?

Your average monthly wage will be computed as under previous law - that is, by dividing the total of your wages by the months in which you could have worked in covered employment - except that if you could use the new benefit formula (see question 43). Your average monthly wage will be computed from the beginning of 1951, instead of from the beginning of the program.

45. I UNDERSTAND THE MINIMUM BENEFIT UNDER THE OLD LAW FOR A RETIRED WORKER WAS $10. HAS THAT BEEN RAISED?

Yes. The minimum primary benefit is increased to $25, except that for those with wages averaging under $35 per month the minimum might be as low as $20.

46. HOW ARE THE SURVIVORS' AND DEPENDENTS' BENEFITS COMPUTED?

As under the old law, the wife of a retired worker gets a benefit equal to one-half of the primary insurance amount, and the widow of a deceased worker gets three-quarters of his primary insurance amount. The benefit for a dependent parent has been raised by the new law from one-half to three-quarters of the primary amount, and for survivor families, the benefit for the first child has also been raised from one-half to three-quarters. Each succeeding child in the family gets one-half of the primary amount, as under the old law.

47. WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM UNDER THE NEW LAW?

For a retired worker, $80; for a worker and wife, $120; for a family, $150, or, if less, 80% of the average monthly wage of the worker upon whose record family benefits are based.

48. ARE INSURANCE BENEFITS PAID UNDER TITLE II OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT TAXABLE FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES?

No. They do not have to be reported as taxable income.

ELIGIBILITY FOR BENEFITS

49. I AM OVER 65 BUT COULD NOT GET BENEFITS UNDER THE OLD LAW BECAUSE I DID NOT HAVE ENOUGH QUARTERS OF COVERAGE. AM I ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS UNDER THE NEW LAW?

If you are over age 65 and already have as many as 6 quarters of coverage you can get benefits under the new law.

50. I'M 63 YEARS OLD NOW AND HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO WORK MUCH IN THE LAST FEW YEARS. HOW MANY QUARTERS DO I NEED TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS WHEN I REACH 65?

Anyone who is now 62 or over can get benefits if he has as much as 6 quarters of coverage, earned at any time, before or after age 65.

51. I AM ALREADY OVER 65 YEARS OF AGE. I HAVE FOUR QUARTERS OF COVERAGE IN 1944. CAN I EARN THE ADDITIONAL TWO QUARTERS I NEED IN 1951 OR 1952?

Yes. The six quarters can be earned anytime before or after 65.

52. I WILL BE 60 NEXT JANUARY. I ALREADY HAVE THE TEN QUARTERS OF COVERAGE I NEED TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR INSURANCE BENEFITS AT AGE 65. DO I HAVE TO EARN ADDITIONAL QUARTERS OF COVERAGE AFTER 1950?

No. However, if you earn six quarters of coverage after 1950, you may be eligible for much higher benefits under the new formula.

53. WHAT ABOUT PEOPLE WHO AREN'T YET 62? HOW MANY QUARTERS DO THEY NEED?

The general rule is that a worker must have half as many quarters of coverage as the number of calendar quarters elapsing after 1950 and before he attains age 65. Thus a person who is now 59 and consequently will attain age 65 in the first half of 1956, will need 10 quarters. As soon as a person has 40 quarters (that is, about 10 years) he is fully insured regardless of age. Quarters earned at any time - before or after the new law - count toward meeting the requirement.

54. IF I SHOULD DIE COULD MY WIFE AND BABY GET BENEFITS EVEN IF I HAD NOT BEEN COVERED FOR 10 YEARS?

Yes. Monthly benefits are payable to widows and young children if the worker had 6 quarters of coverage within the 3 years just before his death, or if he had half as many quarters of coverage (but not less than 6) as the number of calendar quarters elapsing after 1950 and before his death.

55. MY HUSBAND IS UNABLE TO WORK AND IS DEPENDENT ON ME FOR SUPPORT. I WAS TOLD THAT HE COULD NOT GET ANY BENEFITS FROM MY SOCIAL SECURITY. IS THAT STILL TRUE UNDER THE NEW LAW?

No. Under the new law, if you are eligible for benefits at age 65 and if your husband is dependent on you for support, he, too, can get benefits at age 65. Also, if you should die and if he was dependent on you at the time of your death, he can receive widower's benefits when he reaches age 65.

56. I AM A MARRIED WOMAN WITH TWO CHILDREN. I UNDERSTAND THAT UNDER THE OLD LAW MY CHILDREN COULD NOT GET ANY BENEFITS FROM MY SOCIAL SECURITY IF I DIED BECAUSE THEIR FATHER IS LIVING WITH THEM AND SUPPORTING THEM. HAS THAT BEEN CHANGED UNDER THE NEW LAW?

Yes. Under the new law, if you are "currently insured" when you die - that is, if you have worked for roughly a year and a half out of the three years before your death - your children can get monthly benefits even though they are living with and being supported by their father.

57. WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF A PERSON BECOMES ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS UNDER THE NEW LAW BUT DOES NOT APPLY FOR THEM RIGHT AWAY? WILL HE LOSE BENEFITS FOR THE MONTHS BEFORE HIS APPLICATION IS FILED?

Under the new law benefits can be paid retroactively for six months before the time of application. This new provision does not become fully effective, though, until March 1951; applications filed before that time are retroactive only through September 1950 or for three months, whichever is the longer period. Under the old law benefits could be paid retroactively for only three months.

58. I UNDERSTAND A LUMP SUM DEATH PAYMENT IS MADE IN ALL CASES. IS THAT TRUE, AND HOW MUCH DOES IT AMOUNT TO?

Yes. The lump sum will be paid whenever a worker dies who was either fully or currently insured (see answers to questions 40 and 41). Under the old law it was paid only if there was no one immediately eligible for monthly benefits. It will amount to 3 times the workers' "primary insurance amount," or between $60 and $240, depending on his work history in covered employment.

59. I AM 60 YEARS OLD BUT I CAN'T WORK BECAUSE I'M PERMANENTLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED. DO I HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL I'M 65 TO GET BENEFITS? I'LL PROBABLY BE DEAD BY THAT TIME.

The new law does not provide for payments to persons under 65 even though permanently and totally disabled. Provisions for disability benefits were recommended by the President and adopted by the House of Representatives, but were rejected in the Senate. Not only are disabled persons ineligible for benefits, but their periods of disability will continue, as under the old law, to reduce the likelihood that they or their families will qualify for benefits at age 65 or death and will reduce the amount of the benefits they will receive (although this effect will be less severe in some ways because of other changes in the law).

RETIREMENT TEST

60. I AM OVER 65 AND ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS BUT COULDN'GET GET THEM UNDER THE OLD LAW BECAUSE I AM WORKING. CAN I NOW RECEIVE BENEFITS?

Two changes have been made in this provision of the law. First, you can earn as much as $50, instead of $14.99 as under the old law, without losing benefits; and second, after you reach age 75 you can get benefits regardless of the amount of your earnings.

61. CAN A PERSON RECEIVE MONTHLY INSURANCE PAYMENTS IF HE HAS INCOME FROM ANY SOURCES BESIDES EARNINGS FROM WORK?

Yes. Once a person has qualified for benefits, he may receive payments even though he has income from capital investments, such as annuities, rental from real estate, dividends from stocks, or interest on bonds.

62. I RETIRED SEVERAL YEARS AGO AND HAVE BEEN GETTING BENEFITS UNDER SOCIAL SECURITY. I NOW HAVE A LITTLE BUSINESS OF MY OWN. WILL I HAVE TO GIVE UP MY BUSINESS IN ORDER TO KEEP MY BENEFITS?

If you are 75 or over, or if your business is in one of the professional groups still not covered (see answer to question 5), or if you make less than $600 a year, you can still draw benefits each month.

63. WHAT HAPPENS IF I MAKE MORE THAN $600 A YEAR FROM MY BUSINESS?

For each additional $50 or fraction thereof you will lose one month's benefit. Thus, if you make $675 you will lose benefits for 2 months; if you make $825 you will lose benefits for 5 months; and if you make more than $1,150 you will lose benefits for the whole year.

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64. WHEN DOES THE NEW LAW BECOME EFFECTIVE?

The higher benefits will be payable for the month of September, with checks going out early in October. Most of the other changes are also effective in September. However, the coverage of people newly brought under the system will not start until the first of the year, and the new benefit formula will not be used until the second quarter of 1952.

65. HOW MUCH WILL THE NEW PROGRAM COST?

It is estimated the new program will cost in the long run a total of about 6 percent of taxable payrolls.

66. IF I PAY CONTRIBUTIONS ON MORE THAN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT EACH YEAR BECAUSE I WORK FOR MORE THAN ONE EMPLOYER, CAN I OBTAIN A REFUND OF THE EXCESS CONTRIBUTIONS?

Yes, you can. You can file a claim for a refund with the Collector of Internal Revenue. Such a claim must be filed, however, within two years after the year in which the wages are received with respect to which the refund is claimed. The new law also provides that beginning with the year 1951 refunds may be taken by a taxpayer as a credit against his income tax.

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TO: Group Relations Agencies
FROM: Will Maslow

The enclosed memorandum describing the recent amendments to the Social Security Law and their application to tax-exempt, non-profit organizations was prepared for use by Jewish Community Relations Councils. I am sending it to you in the hope that you may find it useful in determining whether or not to apply for coverage under the new Act.

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APPLICATION OF THE AMENDED SOCIAL SECURITY ACT TO NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

On August 28, 1950 a bill making wide changes in the Social Security Act became law (Public Law 734, 81st Congress, 2nd Sess.). Under the provisions of the original Act, non-profit organizations which enjoyed tax exemption under Section 101 of the United States Internal Revenue Code were also exempt from participating in the old-age and survivor insurance plan which the Act established. Under the amendments of August, such organizations may now elect to be covered. In addition, the amendments substantially change various aspects of the Act, including those establishing the tax rate and benefits. We summarize below the applicable provisions of the Act as now amended. Local regional offices of the Social Security Administration are prepared to give more detailed information and advice on specific problems.

A non-profit organization may come under the Social Security plan at any time after January 1, 1951. Application can be made before that date. If an organization elects to be covered, it must take the initiative by filing a certificate on a form which will shortly be available at local offices of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Such a certificate must contain a statement by the organization that it elects to be covered. It must also contain the signatures, addresses and social security numbers, if any, of two-thirds of its employees.

Upon such filing, the Act becomes applicable to those employees on its staff who sign the certificate and any of its present employees who subsequently elect to be covered. Once the certificate becomes effective, all new employees are covered whether or not they so elect.

After an organization becomes covered, it may elect to withdraw by giving a two-year notice. However, such notice may not be given until eight years after it is covered. Thus an election to be covered is irrevocable for ten years.

An organization cannot apply for coverage for only a specified part of its employees. If it applies at all, it must be for all employees to whom the Act could apply and two thirds of these eligible employees must vote in favor of coverage. Where there is doubt as to who is the employer, the general rule is that it is whichever agency makes out the pay checks.

Once an organization is covered, all deductions, benefits and other provisions applicable to ordinary employers are similarly applicable to the organization. The funds deducted go to the same general fund; benefits are paid out of this fund; and the employee's benefits are calculated on the basis of all his employment with firms subject to the Act.

If an organization elects to come under the Act, those of its employees who elect to be covered and who do not already have social security numbers must open up accounts. Forms for this purpose are available at local social security offices.

The tax rate is as follows: The employer and employees are each taxed 1½% of the employee's total wage but only up to $3600 per year. Thus, the maximum tax per employee is $54 a year for the employer and $54 for the employee. (The statute provides that the rates shall increase in subsequent years but in the past these increases have been postponed by Congress when they became due.) With certain exceptions the tax is computed on the whole salary; that is, before deducting such items as withholding tax or union dues. Taxes must be remitted quarterly.

Calculation of the benefits payable under the statute is rather complicated and cannot be given in detail here. Benefits include monthly payments for life to the employee upon his retirement at 65, additional payments for his spouse and dependent children, payments upon his death to his surviving spouse and dependent children, payments to other dependents and a lump sum death benefit. The size of the benefits varies with the number of dependents and the employee's average salary during a specified period of his employment.

To qualify for retirement benefits, the worker must have received a minimum amount of wages from employers covered by the Act during each of a minimum number of quarter years. This minimum varies from six to forty, depending on the employee's present age. All persons now 45 or less will have to have 40 quarters of coverage. Persons in the armed forces between 1940 and 1947 may include their period of service. Once the minimum period of coverage is completed, the size of benefits does not vary with length of employment. If an employee dies before obtaining the minimum amount of coverage, reduced survivor and death benefits may be paid.

Here are a few typical benefit calculations: (1) An employee retires at 65, with the necessary minimum coverage having a wife and one child under 18 and having had an average monthly wage of $300 (the maximum recognized under the Act). He receives $150 per month for life. After his death, his widow receives $120 per month. When the child reaches 18 or when the widow dies, the survivor's benefit drops to $60 per month. (2) An unmarried employee retires at 65 having had an average salary of $150 per month. He receives $57.50 per month for life. On his death, a surviving parent, who previously depended on him for support, would receive $43.20 per month.

More generally, the retirement benefit for an unmarried employee ranges from $25 to $80 per month. Survivor benefits are paid even if an employee dies before he is 65.

Payments under the Act are entirely independent of any private retirement plan. An existing private plan may therefore continue in effect at existing or at changed rates. New private plans, however, will probably be designed primarily to supplement benefits under this Act.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT - INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

COVERAGE OF EMPLOYEES OF CERTAIN NONPROFIT AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, CERTAIN FEDERAL EMPLOYEES, AND STATE OR LOCAL PUBLIC TRANSIT EMPLOYEES UNDER FEDERAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS ACT

1. The Social Security Act Amendments of 1950, approved August 28, 1950, amended Subchapter A of Chapter 9 of the Internal Revenue Code (Federal Insurance Contributions Act), effective January 1, 1951, so as to extend coverage thereunder to certain employees whose services prior to such date are not subject to the taxes under such Act. Wages paid after December 31, 1950, for newly covered services performed after such date will be subject to the employer and employee taxes imposed by such Act. Employers of covered employees referred to in this notice will be required to report such wages and taxes on Form 941.

2. Employees whose services performed on or after January 1, 1951, may be covered will include those described below:

(A) Employees of Agricultural, Horticultural, and Voluntary Employees' Beneficiary Organizations. The services performed by an employee of an agricultural or horticultural organization exempt from income tax under Section 101(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, or a voluntary employees' beneficiary association exempt from income tax under Section 101(16) or (19) of the Code generally will be covered under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act. However, if the remuneration for the employee's service performed in any calendar quarter is less than $50, the employee's service in that quarter is not covered.

(B) Employees of Nonprofit Religious, Charitable, Scientific, Literary, Educational, or Humane Organizations. If an organization exempt from income tax under Section 101(6) of the Internal Revenue Code files a certificate on Form SS-15 pursuant to Section 1426(1) of the Code, electing coverage of its employees, two-thirds of whom concur in such election, the service of each employee (with the exceptions noted below) whose signature appears on the list accompanying the certificate will be covered commencing with the first day following the close of the calendar quarter in which the organization files such certificate. Each employee who becomes employed by such an organization on or after such first day also will be covered. (The list accompanying the certificate should be made on Form SS-15a, and should contain the signature, address, and social security account number, if any, of each employee who concurs in the filing of the certificate.)

In the case of any organization exempt from income tax under Section 101(6), the service performed by an employee in a calendar quarter will not be covered if the remuneration paid for such service is less than $50. Further, the services of certain student-employees of such an educational organization, and student nurses and internes employed by certain such organizations, will not be covered. The service performed by a "duly ordained, commissioned, or licensed minister of a church in the exercise of his ministry or by a member of a religious order in the exercise of the duties required by such order" will not be covered.

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Copies of Form SS-15 and Form SS-15a may be obtained, upon request, from any Collector of Internal Revenue.

(C) Federal Employees. The services performed on or after January 1, 1951, within the "United States" (or outside the United States by a citizen thereof) by employees of the United States and instrumentalities thereof will be covered unless (a) such service is covered by a retirement system established by a law of the United States or (b) the service is one of the thirteen special classes described in paragraph (7) of amended Section 1426(b) of the Internal Revenue Code or is excepted by some other paragraph of such amended section.

(D) State or Local Government Transit Employees. An employee of a State or political subdivision thereof who performs services on or after January 1, 1951, in connection with its operation of a public transportation system acquired after 1936 generally will be covered, unless such employee is covered under a "general retirement system" providing benefits which are protected from diminution or impairment under special provisions of the State constitution. (Coverage of other State and local governmental employees may, with certain exceptions, be accomplished under agreement between the State and the Federal Security Administrator.)

3. If you are or will become the employer of one or more employees who perform services on or after January 1, 1951, which are covered under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act, you will have all of the duties of an employer under such Act and the applicable regulations. Such employers and employees should file the applications referred to in paragraphs 4 and 5 at an early date - in advance of January 1, 1951, if possible. (As in the case of income tax required to be withheld from wages of Federal employees, the several Head Officers of the particular offices of the United States and certain of its instrumentalities, responsible for approving and scheduling payrolls for payment, are by presumption the persons having control of the payment of wages who shall perform the acts required of an employer under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act.)

4. Employer's Identification Number. Each employer liable for the taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act should file with this office an application on Form SS-4 for a new identification number to be used in lieu of the number previously used in reporting only income tax withheld from wages. Such Form SS-4 may be obtained from this office or from any Social Security Administration field office. When filling in Form SS-4, show the employer's name exactly as it is shown in the employer's returns on Form 941.

5. Employees' Social Security Account Numbers. Each employer of an employee covered under the Act should have a record of the name and social security account number of each such employee for use in filing returns and paying the taxes under such Act. If possible, the employer should copy this information from the employee's social security account number card. If the employee has no such account number, he should be advised to obtain one by filling in an application on Form SS-5. Such form may be obtained from the nearest Social Security Administration field office or, if there is no such office in town, from the post office. The completed form should be taken or mailed to the nearest social security office.

Treasury - Internal Revenue, Wash., D. C. Collector of Internal Revenue.

December 29, 1950

Collector of Internal Revenue
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

The employees of the Southern Regional Council, Inc. have voted to apply for coverage under the new Social Security Act.

Enclosed are forms, SS-14 and SS-15a, with the signatures of all of our present employees.

Employer identification number now used in paying income tax is 59-W001651.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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Form SS-15
U. S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

CERTIFICATE WAIVING EXEMPTION FROM TAXES UNDER THE FEDERAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS ACT

(For use by religious, charitable, educational, or other organizations exempt from income tax under section 101 (6) of the Internal Revenue Code)

COLLECTOR OF INTERNAL REVENUE,

Date December 29, 1950

SIR:

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.,
(Please print name of organization in full)

an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 101 (6) of the Internal Revenue Code, and having its principal office at

Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E. Atlanta 3, Georgia
(Street and number) (City or town) (Postal zone number) (State)

hereby certifies that it desires to have the insurance system established by title II of the Social Security Act (Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Benefits) extended to service performed by its employees and that at least two-thirds of its employees, determined on the basis of the facts existing as of the date this certificate is filed, concur in the filing of this certificate.

This certificate is accompanied by a list on Form SS–15a which contains the signature, address, and social security account number (if any) of each employee who concurs in the filing of the certificate.

It is understood that:

(1) All individuals who are employees of this organization within the meaning of section 1426 (d) of the Federal Insurance Contributions Act, as amended by section 205 of the Social Security Act Amendments of 1950, shall be included in determining whether two-thirds of the employees of this organization concur in the filing of this certificate; except that there shall not be included (1) those employees who at the time of the filing of this certificate are performing for this organization services only of the character specified in paragraphs (9) (A), (11) (B), and (14) of section 1426 (b) of the Federal Insurance Contributions Act, as amended by section 204 of the Social Security Act Amendments of 1950, and (2) those alien employees who at the time of the filing of the certificate are performing services for this organization under an arrangement which provides for the performance only of services outside the United States not on or in connection with an American vessel or American aircraft. As used in the preceding sentence, the term "alien employee" does not include an employee who is a citizen of Puerto Rico, and the term "United States" includes Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

(2) This certificate shall be in effect for the period beginning with the first day following the close of the calendar quarter in which it is filed.

(3) This certificate is not terminated if this organization loses its exemption under section 101 (6) of the Internal Revenue Code, but continues effective with respect to any subsequent periods during which this organization is so exempt.

(4) The list on Form SS–15a accompanying this certificate may be amended, at any time prior to the expiration of the first month following the first calendar quarter for which the certificate is in effect, by filing a supplemental list or lists on Form SS–15a Supplement, containing the signature, address, and social security account number (if any) of each additional employee who concurs in the filing of this certificate.

(5) The taxes imposed under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act will apply to this organization and to each employee whose services constitute employment and whose signature appears on the accompanying list or on any supplemental list filed within the prescribed time, commencing with the first day following the close of the calendar quarter in which this certificate is filed; such taxes will also apply immediately with respect to services which constitute employment performed by any individual who enters the employ of this organization on or after the first day following the close of the calendar quarter in which this certificate is filed; and the reemployment of a former employee after this certificate becomes effective shall be considered for the purposes of these taxes as a new employment, regardless of whether or not such individual concurred in the filing of this certificate.

It is further understood that the period for which this certificate is in effect may be terminated:

(a) By this organization upon giving 2 years' advance notice in writing to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue of this organization's desire to terminate the effect of this certificate at the end of a specified calendar quarter, but only if, at the time of the receipt of such notice by the Commissioner, this certificate has been in effect for a period of not less than 8 years. In computing the effective period which must precede the date of receipt of the notice of termination, there shall be disregarded any period or periods as to which this organization is not exempt from income tax under section 101 (6) of the Code.

(b) By the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, with the prior concurrence of the Federal Security Administrator, upon a finding by the Commissioner that this organization has failed to comply substantially with the requirements of the Federal Insurance Contributions Act or is no longer able to comply therewith. The Commissioner shall give this organization not less than 60 days' advance notice in writing that the period covered by this certificate will terminate at the end of the calendar quarter specified in the notice.

The organization has been assigned employer identification No. None (58-W001651 is used when filing income tax)
(If a number has not been assigned write "None")

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
(Name of organization)

(Dr. George S. Mitchell) — (President or other principal officer) — Executive Director (State title)
(Name)

(Mrs. Norma Huff) — (Secretary, treasurer, etc.) — Secretary-Treasurer (State title)
(Name)

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Form SS-15a
U. S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

LIST TO ACCOMPANY CERTIFICATE ON FORM SS-15 WAIVING EXEMPTION FROM TAXES UNDER THE FEDERAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS ACT

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.,
(Please print name of organization in full)

Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E. Atlanta 3, Georgia,
(Street and number) (City or town) (Postal zone number) (State)

an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 101 (6) of the Internal Revenue Code, proposes to file, pursuant to the provisions of Section 1426 (1) of the Federal Insurance Contributions Act, a certificate on Form SS–15 certifying that it desires to have the insurance system established by title II of the Social Security Act (Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Benefits) extended to services performed by its employees and that at least two-thirds of its employees concur in the filing of the certificate. Section 1426 (1) provides that the certificate may be filed only if it is accompanied by a list containing the signature, address, and social security account number, if any, of each employee who concurs in the filing of the certificate.

As an employee of the above-named organization, I hereby concur, as evidenced by my signature, in the action of the organization in the filing of such a certificate and understand that the employee tax imposed under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act will be applicable with respect to services which constitute employment performed by me on and after the effective date of the certificate.

SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYEE	ADDRESS OF EMPLOYEE	EMPLOYEE'S SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER (IF ANY)
George S. Mitchell	906 Lullwater Road, Atlanta	577-34-7097
Norma D. Huff	235 The Prado, N.E., Atlanta	300-16-9395
Bertha L. Johnson	703 Greensferry Avenue, Atlanta	257-30-8484
Jane P. Fleming	1687 Boulevard, N.E. Apt. F-8	476-20-3180
Harold C. Fleming	1687 Boulevard, N.E., Apt. F-8	259-07-1643
Dorothy Rogers Tilly	1013 Highland View, N.E., Atlanta	259-48-3873
Elizabeth Frances Rogers	1509 Westwood Avenue, S.W.	257-48-3873
Anna Sanders Hancock	1793 Flagler Ave. N.E.	252-03-0032

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REQUIREMENTS LOWERED

New Law Widens Benefits Coverage

By C. E. GREGORY

A half-million eligible workers who were unable to qualify for old age benefits under the old Social Security Law can do so under the new one.

The old law required workers to have earned at least $50 in each of 26 quarters of covered employment to qualify for social security benefits.

That meant that they must have contributed to social security during each quarter of six and a half years since the act was passed in 1935.

The new law reduces the $50 earning requirement to six calendar quarters since 1935, or a year and a half. This means that workers who are already past 63 years old still have a chance to qualify for social security at 65.

Second in a series.

Men and women who can not hold regular jobs because of physical limitations or household duties can qualify for social security by becoming self employed—even on a part-time basis. Such persons can qualify for social security by earning $400 for two successive years. The minimum $400 earnings would qualify a worker for the minimum pension of $20 per month.

Seamstresses, free-lance typists, bookkeepers, repairmen and similar home working persons are classed as self-employed. Baby-sitters can qualify as domestic workers if they work a minimum of 24 days a quarter for the same family.

Vets Looked After

A silent partner in a business can qualify as self-employed if he participates financially in the business. Brothers, uncles and other secondary relatives of a business head can qualify as silent partners, but fathers, mothers, wives and other immediate relatives are barred. Administrators would doubt that such silent partners are bona fide and are not listed solely for social security.

World War II veterans get special consideration in the new law. They are given credit for the full time they spent in any war service. This allowance includes those who died in service. So dependent parents or widows of servicemen with dependents can now qualify even though the soldier did not have enough covered service before the war. Living veterans also will be that much closer to being fully covered, with credit for the time they were in service and off their regular jobs.

If a covered worker dies before he retires, his widow gets a lump-sum payment that is three times his monthly pension. In the case of a worker who was making $200 a month, his pension would have new law. So his widow gets $195 as a death benefit.

She also gets a monthly pension of three-fourths her husband's prospective pension if she has an unmarried child under 18. In addition, the oldest child gets three-fourths of the primary benefit until he is 18. Additional children under 18 get one-half the primary benefit. However, no family can collect more than $150 per month.

Divorcees Can Collect

All the pensions stop when the youngest child reaches 18, but the widow's pension starts again when she reaches 65. If the widow remarries, her pension stops, but those of the children go on. If the worker has no widow and has contributed half of the support of his parents, each parent, if 65 or over, would receive three-fourths of the son's pension.

A divorced wife of a deceased worker would get three-fourths of her ex-husband's pension, if he was still contributing half of her support and has an under-18 child in her custody. The divorced wife would get these benefits, even though the ex-husband had remarried and had another family. Under the new law both families would get benefits.

If a wife has been working in covered employment and has qualified for retirement pay but dies before retiring, her husband is entitled to her pension, provided she has contributed at least half of his support.

Under the above provisions, the widow and two children of a man who had been earning $250 per month would receive $145 a month until the first child turned 18, then $108.75 until the younger child reached 18. Then all pensions stop until the widow reaches the age 65.

The U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics in a recent cost-of-living survey estimates that it costs $200 per month to provide a moderately comfortable living for a widow and two children in a large city. Budget experts also criticize the new Social Security Law for leaving the gap between the time the youngest child reaches 18 and the widow reaches 65. They point out that there is often a lapse of several years between these two events.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
BALANCE SHEET
OCTOBER 31, 1950

ASSETS

First National Bank	339.05	
Citizens Trust Co.	992.04	1,331.09
Accounts Receivable		232.78
Ga. Commission on Interracial Cooperation		1.00
TOTAL ASSETS		$ 1,564.87

LIABILITIES AND DEFICIT

Accounts Payable (See Exhibit "B")	9,121.03
Fellowship of The Concerned	557.61
Home Town Self Survey	576.94
Rock Hill, N. C. - Home Town Self Survey	500.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	10,755.58
Deficit	9,190.71 -
TOTAL LIABILITIES LESS DEFICIT	$ 1,564.87

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
JANUARY 1, 1950 to ~~OCTOBER 31~~, 1950 Nov. 30, 19

INCOME:		
Contributions (See Exhibit "A")	~~26,495.78~~	27,715.07
Membership Dues	~~3,337.30~~	4253.80
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature	~~1,031.73~~	1036.65
Honoraria	618.75	618.75
New South Subscriptions	~~423.44~~	459.94
TOTAL INCOME	32,304.00	~~32,304.00~~ 34084 21
EXPENSES:		
Salaries	18,235.16	
Fund Raising Fee	6,000.00	
Travel	2,548.48	
Printing - New South & Misc. Lit.	1,712.65	
Office Supplies	1,174.93	
Rent	1,157.00	
Postage	1,035.30	
Telephone & Telegraph	672.59	
Press Clippings	183.00	
Audit	135.00	
Interest	75.50	
Books & Magazine Subscriptions	67.20	
Meetings and Luncheons	15.81	
Miscellaneous	14.50	
Bank Charges	9.70	
Insurance	9.00	
Special Services	5.00	
Returned Checks	2.50	
TOTAL EXPENSES		33,053.32
INCREASE OF DEFICIT		$ 749.32-

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
STATEMENTS OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
JANUARY 1, 1950 to OCTOBER 31, 1950

CASH RECEIPTS:		
Contributions (See Exhibit "A")		26,495.78
Membership Dues		3,657.80
Withholding Taxes		2,137.05
State Divisions:		
Alabama	145.25	
Arkansas	51.00	
Florida	188.00	
Kentucky	59.00	
Mississippi	163.00	
New Orleans	70.50	
North Carolina	149.00	
South Carolina	2.50	
Tennessee	111.00	1,137.75
Sale of Miscellaneous Literature		787.95
Refunds:		
Travel	460.11	
Office Supplies	86.02	
Salaries	50.13	
Postage	27.78	
Telephone	5.47	629.51
Honoraria		618.75
Fellowship of The Concerned		560.00
N.C.C.J - Rock Hill, S. C., Self Survey		500.00
Home Town Self Survey		442.45
New South Subscriptions		423.94
Note - Citizens Trust Co.		149.50
Checks Returned - Redeposited		8.00
BALANCE IN BANKS, JANUARY 1, 1950		654.97
TOTAL AVAILABLE CASH		$ 38,203.45

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CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Salaries		18,592.70
Printing - New South & Misc. Literature		3,344.12
Travel		3,229.20
Withholding Taxes		2,481.87
Home Town Self Survey		2,439.08
State Divisions:		
Alabama	157.00	
Arkansas	49.50	
Florida	227.50	
Kentucky	95.00	
Mississippi	156.00	
New Orleans Commission on Interracial Cooperation	137.00	
North Carolina	343.50	
South Carolina	25.00	
Tennessee	131.25	1,321.75
Office Supplies		1,222.46
Rent		1,157.00
Postage		1,063.08
Telephone & Telegraph		675.82
Fellowship of the Concerned		387.37
Loan Payable - Dr. George S. Mitchell		200.00
Press Clippings		190.70
Meetings and Luncheons		159.81
Note - Citizens Trust Company		150.00
Audit		135.00
Books and Magazine Subscriptions		67.20
Returned Checks		10.50
Cash Shortage		10.00
Bank Charges & Exchange		9.70
Insurance		9.00
Miscellaneous Literature Refunds		6.00
Special Services		5.00
Repairs		3.50
Corporate Registration Fee		1.00
Interest Expense		.50
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		36,872.36
BALANCE IN BANKS		1,331.09
TOTAL		$ 38,203.45

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Exhibit "A"

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED
JANUARY 1, 1950 to ~~OCTOBER 31,~~ 1950
November 30, 1950

CHURCH SOURCES:			
Methodist:			
Division of Home Missions	750.00		
Women's Div. of Christian Service, Bd. of Missions	1,000.00		
Board of Education	200.00		
Women's Society of Christian Service:			
Kentucky	25.00		
Mississippi	25.00		
Memphis	25.00		
Tennessee	40.00		
Alabama	10.00		
North Carolina	25.00	~~2,100.00~~	
* Louisville	2500	2125.00	
Catholic Sources:			
Catholic Missionary Union	1,000.00		
The Cardinal-Archbishop of Chicago	1,000.00		
Cath. Committee of South	125.00	2,125.00	
American Friends Service Comm.		1,000.00	
Episcopal: * Province of Sewanee	100.00		
Women's Auxiliary, Natl. Council, Diocese of Fla.	15.00	115.00	3365.00
TOTAL CHURCH SOURCES			~~5,240.00~~
FOUNDATIONS:			
Phelps-Stokes Fund	1200.00	~~1,000.00~~	
Edgar Stern Family Fund		300.00	
Marshall Field Foundation		2,500.00	
Sigmund Silberman Foundation		250.00	
William C. Whitney Foundation		1,000.00	
TOTAL FOUNDATIONS			~~5,050.00~~ 5250.00
OTHER SOURCES:			
Mr. and Mrs. John Hay Whitney		2,000.00	
Anonymous Manufacturer		1,000.00	
United Steelworkers of America-CIO		1,000.00	
Textile Workers Union of America-CIO		500.00	
U.A.W.-CIO		500.00	
South Carolina State Division		15.00	
General Contributions		~~2,350.06~~ 5805.56	~~7,365.06~~ 7595.56

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Exhibit "A"

Schedule of Contributions Continued

STATE EFFORTS:		
Georgia	3,422.50 1/	
South Carolina	~~1,255.88~~ 3/	1255.88
Tennessee	828.00	
Virginia	732.00	
Alabama	536.84	
Texas	495.00	
Louisiana	~~469.00~~ 2/	569.00
North Carolina	~~401.00~~	511.00
Kentucky	~~285.50~~	341.78
Mississippi	~~259.00~~	330.51
Florida	~~156.00~~	481.00
		~~8,840.72~~ 9504.51
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS		~~26,495.78~~ 27715.07

1/ includes Abram-Haas Atlanta Emergency Appeal - $1,520.00
2/ includes $300.00 Edgar Stern Family Fund
3/ includes $174.00 South Carolina dues returned to complete pledge

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STATE PLEDGES

	Pledged	Paid	
ALABAMA	500.00	536.84	
FLORIDA	----	~~156.00~~	481.00
GEORGIA	2,350.00	3,422.50	
KENTUCKY	1,000.00	~~285.50~~	341.78
LOUISIANA	500.00	~~469.00~~	569.00
MISSISSIPPI	2,000.00	~~259.00~~	330.51
NORTH CAROLINA	2,000.00	~~401.00~~	511.00
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,250.00	~~1,255.88~~	1255.88
TENNESSEE	1,000.00	828.00	
TEXAS	500.00	495.00	
VIRGINIA	800.00	732.00	
TOTALS	11,900.00	~~8,840.72~~	9504.51

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Exhibit "B"

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
SCHEDULE OF LIABILITIES
OCTOBER 31, 1950

Thomas F. Byrd		6,000.00
Dr. George S. Mitchell, Loan and Interest		1,575.00
Stein Printing Co.		~~557.95~~ 623.65
State Divisions:		
Alabama	18.00	
Arkansas	1.50	
Florida	7.50	
Kentucky	6.50	
Mississippi	16.50	
North Carolina	18.50	
South Carolina	2.50	197.00
Tennessee	9.00	~~80.00~~
Salaries:		
Dr. George S. Mitchell	312.50	
Mrs. Norma Huff	116.66	429.16
~~Withholding Taxes~~		~~191.10~~
Travel: insert		
~~Dr. George S.~~ Mitchell	37.11	
W. W. Alexander	67.00	~~104.11~~ 446.50
~~Southern Bell Telephone &~~ Telegraph Co.		~~49.16~~ +6
Gershon Printing Co.		42.00
Clipping Service		28.30
Columbia Ribbon & Carbon Co.		25.65
Dictating Machine Co.		11.88
Milton Jones Co.		9.50
Ivan-Allan-Marshall Co.		6.50
F. G. Bernal Co.		5.20
Elliott's Addressing Machine Co.		3.27
Office Supply Co.		2.25
TOTAL		$ 9,121.03

HOME TOWN SELF-SURVEY

FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
JANUARY 1, 1950 to OCTOBER 31, 1950

Income:		
Contributions	560.00	
Sale of Pamphlets	442.45	
Total Income		$ 1,002.45
Expenses:		
Salaries	1,781.59	
Printing of Miscellaneous Literature	466.95	
Travel	221.76	
Rent	143.00	
Postage	119.37	
Office Supplies	78.53	
Telephone and Telegraph	15.25	
TOTAL EXPENSES		2,826.45
REDUCTION OF LIABILITY		$ 1,824.00

BY-LAWS OF THE

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

As Revised Nov. 12, 1947

~~November 14, 1945~~

ARTICLE I. NAME AND AREA

Section 1. Name. The name of this organization shall be the Southern Regional Council, Incorporated. The terms "Council" or "Corporation" used hereafter in these by-laws shall mean the "Southern Regional Council, Inc."

Section 2. Area. For the purposes of this corporation the Southern Region shall be defined as embracing the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia. All members of the corporation shall be residents of this area.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERS

Section 1. Members. The members of the corporation shall consist of the incorporators, charter members, and such other persons as may be elected to membership by the members or by the Board of Directors, according to such rules and regulations as shall be provided by the Board. Members shall pay such dues as may be prescribed and may be dropped for non-payment of dues under such conditions as may be provided. The rights of any member in said corporation shall not be assignable or transferable, and his rights shall cease with his death, resignation, or termination of membership for any cause.

Section 2. Associates. Associates of the corporation shall consist of persons living outside the region who subscribe to the principles of the Council and who are elected by the Board of Directors, according to such rules and regulations as shall be provided by the Board.

Section 3. Annual Meetings. The Corporation shall hold annually a meeting of its members for the election of directors and for the transaction of general business at its principal office in Atlanta at ten o'clock A. M. on the second Wednesday in November in each year, if not a legal holiday, or at such other place and such other time within sixty days as may be designated by the Executive Committee provided notice of such meeting, including day, hour, and place, shall be given each member of the Council in writing at least thirty days in advance. Such annual meetings shall be general meetings; that is to say, open for the transaction of any business within the powers of the corporation without special notice of such business.

Section 4. Special Meetings. At any time in the interval between annual meetings, special meetings of the members may be called by the President, Vice President, or any ten (10) directors or any twenty-five (25) members.

Section 5. Notice of Meetings. Written or printed notice of every annual or special meeting of the members shall be given to each member of record on the date for the determination of members entitled to notice of such meeting, by leaving the same with him or at his residence or usual place of business, or by mailing it, postage prepaid, and addressed to him at his address, as it appears upon the books of the corporation, at least ten (10) days before such meeting.

Notice of every special meeting shall state the place, day, and hour of such meeting and in general terms the business proposed to be transacted thereat. Failure to give notice of any annual meeting, or any irregularity in such notice, shall not affect the validity of any annual meeting, or of any proceedings at any such meeting. It shall not be requisite to the validity of any meeting of members that notice thereof shall have been given to any member who attends in person or by proxy, or if absent waives notice thereof in writing filed with the records of the meeting either before or after the holding thereof. No notice of an adjourned meeting of members need be given.

Section 6. Voting. Each member shall have one vote and, except in cases in which it is by the charter or by these by-laws otherwise provided, a majority of the votes cast shall be sufficient to elect and to pass any measure. Voting by mail may be conducted on such questions and in such manner as may be provided by the Board of Directors.

Section 7. Proxies. Any member entitled to vote at any meeting of members may vote either in person or by proxy. All proxies shall be given to members of this body only, and each one shall designate the name of the member or members who shall act as proxy. Every proxy shall be in writing, subscribed by the member, or his duly authorized attorney, and dated, but need not be sealed, witnessed, or acknowledged. Proxies shall be delivered to the Secretary of the corporation before such meeting or to the inspectors at the meeting.

ARTICLE III. FELLOWS AND AFFILIATES.

Section 1. Fellows. The Board of Directors may award honorary fellowships, not exceeding one hundred (100) in number, to Southerners who have demonstrated exceptional talent for constructive leadership. Fellows shall be chosen in such manner as the Board of Directors may prescribe, provided they are well distributed as to race, sex, creed, occupation, and place of residence. The duties of fellows shall be to cooperate with the Council as observers, advisers, correspondents, and special representatives. Fellows may receive such honoraria or reimbursement of expenses incurred at the request of the Executive Committee as the Board may direct. The term of a fellowship shall be for two years, unless otherwise provided by the Board of Directors, and fellowships may be renewed or withdrawn at the discretion of the Board. Fellows need not be members of the corporation at the time of their appointment, but they shall, during the term of their fellowship, be members with all the rights and obligations of members, except that they shall be exempted from the payment of dues.

Section 2. Affiliates. Organized groups or agencies whose aims and methods are, in whole or in substantial part, similar to the aims and methods of the Southern Regional Council may, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, become affiliates of the Council upon such conditions as the Board of Directors may prescribe.

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Election and Powers. The business and property of the corporation, except as otherwise provided by statute, by the charter, or by these by-laws, shall be conducted and managed by its Board of Directors, whose actions shall be subject to revision and alteration at the next meeting of the members,

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provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. The President, the Vice Presidents, the Executive Director, ~~and~~ the Associate Executive Director, shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Directors. All other members of the Board of Directors shall be elected by the members at their annual meeting, and the directors who are elected at the first meeting of members after incorporation and such directors as may be added by the Board at its first meeting shall be divided by lot in such way that the terms of one-fourth shall expire at the second annual meeting of the Board of Directors, October, 1945, one-fourth at the third annual meeting, one-fourth at the fourth annual meeting, and the remainder at the fifth annual meeting. Each director elected at any subsequent meeting of the Board, except such directors as are elected by the Board to fill unexpired terms, shall hold office for four years, and until his successor shall have been duly chosen and qualified, or until he shall have resigned, or shall have been removed in the manner provided in Section 9 of this Article IV. No elected director shall serve more than two consecutive full terms of four years each. The number of the first Board of Directors shall not exceed forty (40), exclusive of ex officio members, but the number of directors may be increased at the first meeting of the Board or at any subsequent time by the vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors as then constituted to not exceeding seventy two (72), exclusive of ex officio members, and the vacancies thus created shall be filled by the Board of Directors in the manner provided in Section 8 of this Article IV. The Board of Directors shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions.

Section 2. Regular Meetings. The Board of Directors shall meet immediately prior to each meeting of the members of the corporation and again following such meeting of the corporation, at such time and place as may be designated by the President.

Section 3. Additional Regular Meetings. In addition to the first regular meeting, regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on such dates as may be fixed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors.

Section 4. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held whenever called by the President or as may be provided by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Place of Meetings. Subject to the provision of Section 2 of this Article IV, the Board of Directors shall hold its regular and special meeting at such place or places within or without the State of Georgia as it may from time to time determine. In the absence of any such determination, such regular and special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the main office of the corporation in Atlanta.

Section 6. Notice of Meetings. Notice of the place, day, and hour of every regular and special meeting shall be given to each director not less than ten (10) days before the meeting, by delivering the same to him personally, or sending the same to him by telegraph or telephone or by leaving the same at his residence or usual place of business, or, in the alternative, upon three days' notice, or by mail, postage prepaid, addressed to him at his last known post office address, according to the records of the corporation. It shall not be requisite to the validity of any meeting of the Board of Directors that notice thereof shall have been given to any director who is present thereat, or if absent waives notice thereof in writing filed with the records of the meeting either before or after the holding thereof. No notice of any adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors need be given.

Section 7. Quorum. Fifteen members of the Board of Directors shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at every meeting of the Board of Directors; but if at any meeting there be less than a quorum present, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, but not for a period of over fifteen (15) days at any one time, without notice other than by announcement at the meeting until a quorum shall attend. At any such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally notified.

Section 8. Vacancies. In case of any vacancy in the Board of Directors, through death, resignation, or any cause other than removal by the members, the remaining directors may elect a successor to hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of the director whose place shall be vacant and until his successor shall have been duly chosen and qualified. The Board of Directors may fill any vacancy created by an increase in the number of directors.

Section 9. Removal. At any meeting of the members called for the purpose any director may, by a majority of votes cast, be removed from office for cause, and another be appointed in the place of the person so removed to serve for the remainder of his term.

ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Executive Committee. The Board of Directors shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than seven (7) members in addition to the President and ~~three~~ Vice Presidents; the Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director shall also be ex officio members of the Committee, but without the right to vote. The Executive Committee shall serve during the pleasure of the Board of Directors and may be discharged and the Committee abolished at any time by the Board of Directors. Unless one of the members shall have been designated as Chairman by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee shall elect a chairman from its own number. During the intervals between the meetings of the Board of Directors the Executive Committee shall possess and may exercise all of the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the corporation, conferred by these by-laws or otherwise, in all cases in which specific directions shall not have been given by the Board of Directors. The Executive Committee shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions. All action by the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Board of Directors at its meeting next succeeding such action, and shall be subject to revision and alterations by the Board of Directors; provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. Vacancies in the Executive Committee shall be filled by the Board of Directors.

Note - Pres. & V.P.'s are ex officio members but have the right to vote. Ex. Dir. and Assoc. Ex. Dir. are ex-officio members but have NO vote.

Section 2. Meetings of Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall fix its own rules of procedure, and shall meet as provided by such rules or by resolution of the Board of Directors, and it shall also meet at the call of the Chairman or of any three members of the Committee. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) members of the Committee.

Section 3. National Advisory Committee. The Board of Directors may establish a National Advisory Committee, composed of persons who reside outside the area of the Southern Regional Council and who are sympathetic with the aims and policies of the Council, whose purpose shall be to advise the Council on

matters pertaining to the coordination of its work with similar organizations operating outside of the Council area.

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Section 4. Other Committees. The Board of Directors may by resolution provide for such other standing or special committees as it deems desirable and may discontinue the same at pleasure. Each such committee shall have such powers and perform such duties, not inconsistent with these by-laws, as may be assigned to it by the Board of Directors. If provision be made for any such committee, the members thereof shall be appointed by the Board of Directors. Vacancies in such committees shall be filled by the Board of Directors, or by such committee or officer as the Board may authorize to fill such vacancies.

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

Section 1. Executive Officers. The executive officers of the corporation shall be a President, one or more Vice Presidents, an Executive Director, and Associate Executive Director, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The President and the Vice Presidents shall be chosen from among the members of the corporation. The Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director need not be members at the time of their election, but, by virtue of their office, shall become members of the corporation and of the Board with all the privileges of Board members. The Secretary and the Treasurer need not be members, and the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. The President and Vice Presidents shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at its first meeting following the annual meeting of members. The Executive Director and Associate Executive Director, Secretary-Treasurer, and Counsel shall be confirmed annually by the Board of Directors, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee. Officers shall hold office until the corresponding meeting in the next year, and until their successors shall have been fully chosen and qualified, or until they shall have resigned or shall have been removed, in the manner provided in Section 13 of this Article VI. Any vacancy in any of the above offices shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the Board of Directors, at any regular or special meeting.

Section 2. President. The President of the corporation shall also serve as chairman of the Board of Directors. He shall, when present, preside at all meetings of members and of Board of Directors, and he shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. First Vice President. At the request of the President, or in his absence, or disability, the first Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President; and so when acting shall have the powers of the President; and shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 4. Additional Vice President. Each additional Vice President, if any, shall perform the duties of the office in order of his rank and shall have such powers and perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Executive Director. The Executive Director shall be charged with the execution of the program and policies of the Council as defined by the Board of Directors, and shall be responsible directly to the Board of Directors. He shall have general charge and supervision of the employed personnel of the Council; he may sign and execute, in the name of the corporation, all authorized deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments, except in cases in which the signing and execution thereof shall have been expressly delegated to some other officer or agent of the corporation; and he shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Executive Committee or by the Board of Directors.

Section 6. Associate Executive Director. The Associate Executive Director shall work in cooperation with the Executive Director in the administration of the program and policies of the Council. At the request of the Executive Director, or in case of his absence, or disability, the Associate Executive Director shall perform the duties of the Executive Director, and he shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Executive Committee or by the Board of Directors.

Section 7. Secretary. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the members, of the Board of Directors, and of the Executive Committee, in books provided for the purpose; he shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws, or as required by law; he shall be custodian of the records and of the corporate seal or seals of the corporation; he shall see that the corporate seal is affixed to all documents, the execution of which, on behalf of the corporation, under its seal, is duly authorized, and when so affixed may attest the same; and, in general, he shall perform all duties incident to the office of a secretary of a corporation, and such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors or by the by-laws.

Section 8. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for all funds, securities, receipts and disbursements of the corporation, and shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, in the name of the corporation, all moneys or other valuable effects in such banks, trust companies, or other depositaries as shall, from time to time, be selected by the Board of Directors; he shall render to the President and to the Board of Directors annually, and at other times whenever requested, an account of the financial condition of the corporation; and, in general, shall perform all the duties incident to the office of a treasurer of a corporation, and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 9. Controller. The office of Controller may be created by the Board of Directors, and the duties and authority of such officer shall be fixed by the Board.

Section 10. Counsel. The office of Counsel may be created by the Board of Directors, and the duties and authority of such officer shall be fixed by the Board.

Section 11. Assistant Officers. The Board of Directors may elect one or more Assistant Secretaries and one or more Assistant Treasurers. Each Assistant Secretary, if any, and each Assistant Treasurer, if any, shall hold office for such period and shall have such authority and perform such duties as the Board of Directors may prescribe.

Section 12. Subordinate Officers. The Board of Directors may elect such subordinate officers as it may deem desirable. Each such officer shall hold office for such period, have such authority, and perform such duties as the Board of Directors may prescribe. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, authorize any officer to appoint and remove subordinate officers and prescribe the powers and duties thereof.

Section 13. Removal. Any officer or agent of the corporation may be removed, with or without cause, by a vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors at a meeting called for that purpose, or by an officer upon whom such power of removal may have been conferred.

ARTICLE VII. FINANCE

Section 1. Checks, Drafts, etc. All checks, drafts, or orders for the payment of money, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness, issued in the name of the corporation, shall, unless otherwise provided by the Board of Directors, be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Executive Director or the Associate Executive Director.

Section 2. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the corporation shall be the calendar year, unless otherwise provided by the Board of Directors.

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Section 1. Seal. The corporate seal of the corporation shall bear the name of the corporation and the words, "Incorporated 1944, Georgia. "

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BY-LAWS OF THE

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

As Revised Nov. 12, 1947

Revision of ~~1948 Added~~ Nov. 8, 1949 Added

ARTICLE I. NAME AND AREA

Section 1. Name. The name of this organization shall be the Southern Regional Council, Incorporated. The terms "Council" or "Corporation" used hereafter in these by-laws shall mean the "Southern Regional Council, Inc."

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ARTICLE II. MEMBERS

Section 1. Members. The members of the corporation shall consist of the incorporators, charter members, and such other persons as may be elected to membership by the members or by the Board of Directors, according to such rules and regulations as shall be provided by the Board. Members shall pay such dues as may be prescribed and may be dropped for non-payment of dues under such conditions as may be provided. The rights of any member in said corporation shall not be assignable or transferable, and his rights shall cease with his death, resignation, or termination of membership for any cause.

Section 2. Associates. Associates of the corporation shall consist of persons living outside the region who subscribe to the principles of the Council and who are elected by the Board of Directors, according to such rules and regulations as shall be provided by the Board. Vote?

Section 3. Annual Meetings. The Corporation shall hold annually a meeting of its members for the election of directors and for the transaction of general business at its principal office in Atlanta at ten o'clock A. M. on the second Wednesday in November in each year, if not a legal holiday, or at such other place and such other time within sixty days as may be designated by the Executive Committee provided notice of such meeting, including day, hour, and place, shall be given each member of the Council in writing at least thirty days in advance. Such annual meetings shall be general meetings; that is to say, open for the transaction of any business within the powers of the corporation without special notice of such business.

Section 4. Special Meetings. At any time in the interval between annual meetings, special meetings of the members may be called by the President, Vice President, or any ten (10) directors or any twenty-five (25) members.

Section 5. Notice of Meetings. Written or printed notice of every annual or special meeting of the members shall be given to each member of record on the date for the determination of members entitled to notice of such meeting, by leaving the same with him or at his residence or usual place of business, or by mailing it, postage prepaid, and addressed to him at his address, at it appears upon the books of the corporation, at least ten (10) days before such meeting.

Notice of every special meeting shall state the place, day, and hour of such meeting and in general terms the business proposed to be transacted thereat. Failure to give notice of any annual meeting, or any irregularity in such notice, shall not affect the validity of any annual meeting, or of any proceedings at any such meeting. It shall not be requisite to the validity of any meeting of members that notice thereof shall have been given to any member who attends in person or by proxy, or if absent waives notice thereof in writing filed with the records of the meeting either before or after the holding thereof. No notice of an adjourned meeting of members need be given.

Section 6. Voting. Each member shall have one vote and, except in cases in which it is by the charter or by these by-laws otherwise provided, a majority of the votes cast shall be sufficient to elect and to pass any measure. Voting by mail may be conducted on such questions and in such manner as may be provided by the Board of Directors.

Section 7. Proxies. Any member entitled to vote at any meeting of members may vote either in person or by proxy. All proxies shall be given to members of this body only, and each one shall designate the name of the member or members who shall act as proxy. Every proxy shall be in writing, subscribed by the member, or his duly authorized attorney, and dated, but need not be sealed, witnessed, or acknowledged. Proxies shall be delivered to the Secretary of the corporation before such meeting or to the inspectors at the meeting.

ARTICLE III. FELLOWS AND AFFILIATES.

Section 1. Fellows. The Board of Directors may award honorary fellowships, not exceeding one hundred (100) in number, to Southerners who have demonstrated exceptional talent for constructive leadership. Fellows shall be chosen in such manner as the Board of Directors may prescribe, provided they are well distributed as to race, sex, creed, occupation, and place of residence. The duties of fellows shall be to cooperate with the Council as observers, advisers, correspondents, and special representatives. Fellows may receive such honoraria or reimbursement of expenses incurred at the request of the Executive Committee as the Board may direct. The term of a fellowship shall be for two years, unless otherwise provided by the Board of Directors, and fellowships may be renewed or withdrawn at the discretion of the Board. Fellows need not be members of the corporation at the time of their appointment, but they shall, during the term of their fellowship, be members with all the rights and obligations of members, except that they shall be exempted from the payment of dues.

Section 2. Affiliates. Organized groups or agencies whose aims and methods are, in whole or in substantial part, similar to the aims and methods of the Southern Regional Council may, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, become affiliates of the Council upon such conditions as the Board of Directors may prescribe.

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Election and Powers. The business and property of the corporation, except as otherwise provided by statute, by the charter, or by these by-laws, shall

be conducted and managed by its Board of Directors, all members of which shall be actually residing within the Council area, whose actions shall be subject to revision and alteration at the next meeting of the members, provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. The President, the Vice Presidents, the Executive Director, and the Associate Executive Director shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Directors. Heads of State Divisions of the Southern Regional Council, and chairmen of affiliated interracial committees and/or state-wide interracial committees working closely with the Council, shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Directors. All other members of the Board of Directors shall be elected by the members at their annual meeting. Directors who are elected at the first meeting of members after incorporation and such directors as may be added by the Board at its first meeting shall be divided by lot in such way that the terms of one-fourth shall expire at the second annual meeting of the Board of Directors, October, 1945, one-fourth at the third annual meeting, one-fourth at the fourth annual meeting, and the remainder at the fifth annual meeting. Each director elected at any subsequent meeting of the Board, except such directors as are elected by the Board to fill unexpired terms, shall hold office for four years, and until his successor shall have been duly chosen and qualified, or until he shall have resigned, or shall have been removed in the manner provided in Section 9 of this Article IV. No elected director shall serve more than two consecutive full terms of four years each. The number of the first Board of Directors shall not exceed forty (40), exclusive of ex-officio members, but the number of directors may be increased at the first meeting of the Board or at any subsequent time by the vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors as then constituted to not exceeding seventy two (72) exclusive of ex-officio members, and the vacancies thus created shall be filled by the Board of Directors in the manner provided in Section 8 of this Article IV. The Board of Directors shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions.

Section 2. Regular Meetings. The Board of Directors shall meet immediately prior to each meeting of the members of the corporation and again following such meeting of the corporation, at such time and place as may be designated by the President.

Section 3. Additional Regular Meetings. In addition to the first regular meeting, regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on such dates as may be fixed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors.

Section 4. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held whenever called by the President or as may be provided by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Place of Meetings. Subject to the provision of Section 2 of this Article IV, the Board of Directors shall hold its regular and special meetings at such place or places within or without the State of Georgia as it may from time to time determine. In the absence of any such determination, such regular and special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the main office of the corporation in Atlanta.

Section 6. Notice of Meetings. Notice of the place, day, and hour of every regular and special meeting shall be given to each director not less than ten (10) days before the meeting, by delivering the same to him personally, or sending the same to him by telegraph or telephone or by leaving the same at his residence or usual place of business, or, in the alternative, upon three days' notice, or by mail postage prepaid, addressed to him at his last known post office address, according to the records of the corporation. It shall not be requisite to the validity of any meeting of the Board of Directors that notice thereof shall have been given to

any director who is present thereat, or if absent waives notice thereof in writing filed with the records of the meeting either before or after the holding thereof. No notice of any adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors need be given.

Section 7. Quorum. Fifteen members of the Board of Directors shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at every meeting of the Board of Directors; but if at any meeting there be less than a quorum present, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, but not for a period of over fifteen (15) days at any one time, without notice other than by announcement at the meeting until a quorum shall attend. At any such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally notified.

Section 8. Vacancies. In case of any vacancy in the Board of Directors, through death, resignation, or any cause other than removal by the members, the remaining directors may elect a successor to hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of the director whose place shall be vacant and until his successor shall have been duly chosen and qualified. The Board of Directors may fill any vacancy created by an increase in the number of directors.

Section 9. Removal. At any meeting of the members called for the purpose any director may, by a majority of votes cast, be removed from office for cause, and another be appointed in the place of the person so removed to serve for the remainder of his term.

ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Executive Committee. The Board of Directors shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than seven (7) members in addition to the President and Vice-Presidents and Counsel; the Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director shall also be ex-officio members of the Committee, but without the right to vote. The Executive Committee shall serve during the pleasure of the Board of Directors and may be discharged and the Committee abolished at any time by the Board of Directors. Unless one of the members shall have been designated as Chairman by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee shall elect a chairman from its own number. During the intervals between the meetings of the Board of Directors the Executive Committee shall possess and may exercise all of the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the corporation, conferred by these by-laws or otherwise, in all cases in which specific directions shall not have been given by the Board of Directors. The Executive Committee shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions. All action by the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Board of Directors at its meeting next succeeding such action, and shall be subject to revision and alterations by the Board of Directors; provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. Vacancies in the Executive Committee shall be filled by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Meetings of Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall fix its own rules of procedure, and shall meet as provided by such rules or by resolution of the Board of Directors, and it shall also meet at the call of the Chairman or of any three members of the Committee. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) members of the Committee. If necessary, members of the Executive Committee may by written notice appoint a proxy from among the members of the Board, to attend and vote on behalf of such members.

Section 3. National Advisory Committee. The Board of Directors may establish a National Advisory Committee, composed of persons who reside outside the area of the Southern Regional Council and who are sympathetic with the aims and policies of the Council, whose purpose shall be to advise the Council on matters pertaining to the coordination of its work with similar organizations operating outside of the Council area.

Section 4. Other Committees. The Board of Directors may by resolution provide for such other standing or special committees as it deems desirable and may discontinue the same at pleasure. Each such committee shall have such powers and perform such duties, not inconsistent with these by-laws, as may be assigned to it by the Board of Directors. If provision be made for any such committee, the members thereof shall be appointed by the Board of Directors. Vacancies in such committees shall be filled by the Board of Directors, or by such committee or officer as the Board may authorize to fill such vacancies.

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

Section 1. Executive Officers. The executive officers of the corporation shall be a President, one or more Vice Presidents, and Executive Director, and Associate Executive Director, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The President and the Vice Presidents shall be chosen from among the members of the corporation. The Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director need not be members at the time of their election, but, by virtue of their office, shall become members of the corporation and of the Board with all the privileges of Board members. The Secretary and the Treasurer need not be members, and the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. The President and Vice Presidents shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at its first meeting following the annual meeting of members. The Executive Director and Associate Executive Director, Secretary-Treasurer, and Counsel shall be confirmed annually by the Board of Directors, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee. Officers shall hold office until the corresponding meeting in the next year, and until their successors shall have been fully chosen and qualified, or until they shall have resigned or shall have been removed, in the manner provided in Section 13 of this Article VI. Any vacancy in any of the above offices shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the Board of Directors, at any regular or special meeting.

Section 2. President. The President of the corporation shall also serve as chairman of the Board of Directors. He shall, when present, preside at all meetings of members and of Board of Directors, and he shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. First Vice President. At the request of the President, or in his absence, or disability, the first Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President; and so when acting shall have the powers of the President; and shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 4. Additional Vice President. Each additional Vice President, if any, shall perform the duties of the office in order of his rank and shall have such powers and perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Executive Director. The Executive Director shall be charged with the execution of the program and policies of the Council as defined by the Board of Directors, and shall be responsible directly to the Board of Directors. He shall have general charge and supervision of the employed personnel of the Council; he may sign and execute, in the name of the corporation, all authorized deeds, mortgages,

bonds, contracts, or other instruments, except in cases in which the signing and execution thereof shall have been expressly delegated to some other officer or agent of the corporation; and he shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Executive Committee or by the Board of Directors.

Section 6. Associate Executive Director. The Associate Executive Director shall work in cooperation with the Executive Director in the administration of the program and policies of the Council. At the request of the Executive Director, or in case of his absence, or disability, the Associate Executive Director shall perform the duties of the Executive Director, and he shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Executive Committee or by the Board of Directors.

Section 7. Secretary. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the members, of the Board of Directors, and of the Executive Committee, in books provided for the purpose; he shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws, or as required by law; he shall be custodian of the records and of the corporate seal or seals of the corporation; he shall see that the corporate seal is affixed to all documents, the execution of which, on behalf of the corporation, under its seal, is duly authorized, and when so affixed may attest the same; and, in general, he shall perform all duties incident to the office of a secretary of a corporation, and such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors or by the by-laws.

Section 8. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for all funds, securities, receipts and disbursements of the corporation, and shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, in the name of the corporation, all monies or other valuable effects in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall, from time to time, be selected by the Board of Directors; he shall render to the President and to the Board of Directors annually, and at other times whenever requested, an account of the financial condition of the corporation; and, in general, shall perform all the duties incident to the office of a treasurer of a corporation, and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 9. Controller. The office of Controller may be created by the Board of Directors, and the duties and authority of such officer shall be fixed by the Board.

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Section 12. Subordinate Officers. The Board of Directors may elect such subordinate officers as it may deem desirable. Each such officer shall hold office for such period, have such authority, and perform such duties as the Board of Directors may prescribe. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, authorize any officer to appoint and remove subordinate officers and prescribe the powers and duties thereof.

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As Revised Nov. 8, 1949

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Section 1. Executive Committee. The Board of Directors shall provide for an Executive Committee of not more than seven (7) members in addition to the President and Vice-Presidents and Counsel; the Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director shall also be ex-officio members of the Committee, but without the right to vote. The Executive Committee shall serve during the pleasure of the Board of Directors and may be discharged and the Committee abolished at any time by the Board of Directors. Unless one of the members shall have been designated as Chairman by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee shall elect a chairman from its own number. During the intervals between the meetings of the Board of Directors the Executive Committee shall possess and may exercise all of the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the corporation, conferred by these by-laws or otherwise, in all cases in which specific directions shall not have been given by the Board of Directors. The Executive Committee shall keep full and fair accounts of its transactions. All action by the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Board of Directors at its meeting next succeeding such action, and shall be subject to revision and alterations by the Board of

Directors; provided that no rights of third persons shall be affected by any such revision or alteration. Vacancies in the Executive Committee shall be filled by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Meetings of Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall fix its own rules of procedure, and shall meet as provided such rules or by resolution of the Board of Directors, and it shall also meet at the call of the Chairman or of any three members of the Committee. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) members of the Committee. If necessary, members of the Executive Committee may by written notice appoint a proxy from among the members of the Board, to attend and vote on behalf of such members.

Section 3. National Advisory Committee. The Board of Directors may establish a National Advisory Committee, composed of persons who reside outside the area of the Southern Regional Council and who are sympathetic with the aims and policies of the Council, whose purpose shall be to advise the Council on matters pertaining to the coordination of its work with similar organizations operating outside of the Council area.

Section 4. Other Committees. The Board of Directors may by resolution provide for such other standing or special committees as it deems desirable and may discontinue the same at pleasure. Each such committee shall have such powers and perform such duties, not inconsistent with these by-laws, as may be assigned to it by the Board of Directors. If provision be made for any such committee, the members thereof shall be appointed by the Board of Directors. Vacancies in such committees shall be filled by the Board of Directors, or by such committee or officer as the Board may authorize to fill such vacancies.

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

Section 1. Executive Officers. The executive officers of the corporation shall be a President, one or more Vice Presidents, and Executive Director, and Associate Executive Director, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The President and the Vice Presidents shall be chosen from among the members of the corporation. The Executive Director and the Associate Executive Director need not be members at the time of their election, but, by virtue of their office, shall become members of the corporation and of the Board with all the privileges of Board members. The Secretary and the Treasurer need not be members, and the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. The President and Vice Presidents shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at its first meeting following the annual meeting of members. The Executive Director and Associate Executive Director, Secretary-Treasurer, and Counsel shall be confirmed annually by the Board of Directors, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee. Officers shall hold office until the corresponding meeting in the next year, and until their successors shall have been fully chosen and qualified, or until they shall have resigned or shall have been removed, in the manner provided in Section 13 of this Article VI. Any vacancy in any of the above offices shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the Board of Directors, at any regular or special meeting.

Section 2. President. The President of the corporation shall also serve as chairman of the Board of Directors. He shall, when present, preside at all

meetings of members and of Board of Directors, and he shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. First Vice President. At the request of the President, or in his absence, or disability, the first Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President; and so when acting shall have the powers of the President; and shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 4. Additional Vice President. Each additional Vice President, if any, shall perform the duties of the office in order of his rank and shall have such powers and perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Executive Director. The Executive Director shall be charged with the execution of the program and policies of the Council as defined by the Board of Directors, and shall be responsible directly to the Board of Directors. He shall have general charge and supervision of the employed personnel of the Council; he may sign and execute, in the name of the corporation, all authorized deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments, except in cases in which the signing and execution thereof shall have been expressly delegated to some other officer or agent of the corporation; and he shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Executive Committee or by the Board of Directors.

Section 6. Associate Executive Director. The Associate Executive Director shall work in cooperation with the Executive Director in the administration of the program and policies of the Council. At the request of the Executive Director, or in case of his absence, or disability, the Associate Executive Director shall perform the duties of the Executive Director, and he shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Executive Committee or by the Board of Directors.

Section 7. Secretary. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the members, of the Board of Directors, and of the Executive Committee, in books provided for the purpose; he shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws, or as required by law; he shall be custodian of the records and of the corporate seal or seals of the corporation; he shall see that the corporate seal is affixed to all documents, the execution of which, on behalf of the corporation, under its seal, is duly authorized, and when so affixed may attest the same; and, in general, he shall perform all duties incident to the office of a secretary of a corporation, and such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors or by the by-laws.

Section 8. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for all funds, securities, receipts and disbursements of the corporation, and shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, in the name of the corporation, all monies or other valuable effects in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall, from time to time, be selected by the Board of Directors; he shall render to the President and to the Board of Directors annually, and at other times whenever requested, an account of the financial condition of the corporation; and, in general, shall perform all duties incident to the office of a treasurer of a corporation, and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 9. Controller. The office of Controller may be created by the Board of Directors, and the duties and authority of such officer shall be fixed by the Board.

Section 10. Counsel. The office of Counsel may be created by the Board of Directors, and the duties and authority of such officer shall be fixed by the Board.

Section 11. Assistant Officers. The Board of Directors may elect one or more Assistant Secretaries and one or more Assistant Treasurers. Each Assistant Secretary, if any, and each Assistant Treasurer, if any, shall hold office for such period and shall have such authority and perform such duties as the Board of Directors may prescribe.

Section 12. Subordinate Officers. The Board of Directors may elect such subordinate officers as it may deem desirable. Each such officer shall hold office for such period, have such authority, and perform such duties as the Board of Directors may prescribe. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, authorize any officer to appoint and remove subordinate officers and prescribe the powers and duties thereof.

Section 13. Removal. Any officer or agent of the corporation may be removed, with or without cause, by a vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors at a meeting called for that purpose, or by an officer upon whom such power of removal may have been conferred.

ARTICLE VII. FINANCE

Section 1. Checks, Drafts, etc. All checks, drafts, or orders for the payment of money, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness, issued in the name of the corporation, shall, unless otherwise provided by the Board of Directors, be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Executive Director or the Associate Executive Director.

Section 2. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the corporation shall be the calendar year, unless otherwise provided by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. Board of Trust. The Board of Directors may, if by them deemed advisable, elect and establish a Board of Trustees, who need not be members of the corporation, with such powers and consisting of such number of members as the Board of Directors may determine, for the purpose of holding as trustee for the corporation the legal title to property or money donated to or otherwise acquired by the corporation, as an endowment fund, and of investing, reinvesting and otherwise meeting the requirements and conditions attached to such donations that have been approved and accepted by the Board of Directors. Separate Boards of Trustees may be so established, for separate endowments, so that there may be a number of such boards if necessary or proper. Vacancies on such Boards shall be filled by the Board of Directors, or as provided in the trust where such provisions are included therein.

ARTICLE VII. SUNDRY PROVISIONS

Section 1. Seal. The corporate seal of the corporation shall bear the name of the corporation and the words, "Incorporated 1944, Georgia."

Section 2. Bonds. The Board of Directors may bond any officer, agent, or employee of the corporation, conditioned upon the faithful discharge of his duties, with one or more sureties and in such amount as may be satisfactory to the Board of Directors.

Section 3. Audit of Books. An audit of the books of the corporation shall be made at least annually by a certified public accountant to be selected by the Board of Directors or by some officer of the corporation authorized by the Board of Directors to make such selection.

Section 4. Amendments. These by-laws, or any of them, may be altered or repealed, and new by-laws may be adopted at any annual meeting of the members, or at any special meeting called for that purpose, by the vote of a majority of the members represented in person or by proxy and entitled to vote thereat.

SRC - Exec. Ctee - Correspondence

Memo

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publicity on civil rights in Atlanta

copies of the paste-up were mailed to members of the executive committee today.

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The Southern Regional Council, Inc.

63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.

ATLANTA, GA.

January 20, 1949

Dr. Gordon Hancock
Virginia Union University
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Dr. Hancock:

Although mid-February was tentatively chosen as a suitable meeting date for the Executive Committee meeting, it has been suggested that mid-March would be preferable, due to the fact that at that time we should have a much better idea of what our financial campaign is likely to turn up, and therefore, be in better position to make plans and decisions.

With this in mind, what would you say to the 9th, 16th, or 23rd of March as possible meeting dates? Would any of these be convenient for you, and if so, would you have a preference among them? As soon as I can clear a date among all concerned, I will let you hear from me again.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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P. S. Your check for $13.00 has just arrived. Thank you so very much.

A. McK.

January 20, 1949

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

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Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

January 20, 1949

Right Reverend Monsignor T. James McNamara
222 E. Harris Street
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Monsignor McNamara:

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Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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January 20, 1949

Mr. Carter Wesley
P. O. Box 3086
Houston 1, Texas

Dear Mr. Wesley:

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With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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January 20, 1949

Mr. John H. Wheeler
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

To relieve me of some of my very heavy duties following the annual meeting, Dr. Mitchell undertook to write Board, Executive Committee, and other members of their election to various offices. He too, however, has been hard-pressed, and out of town a great deal, and I am unable to discover at this point whether he has written you of your own election as Vice-President of the Council, replacing Mr. P. B. Young, Sr., who resigned.

This was an action which delighted us here, and we have warm hopes of your acceptance. As vice-President of the Council, you would also be an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee.

Mid-February was first tentatively chosen as meeting time for this committee, but it has been suggested that mid-March would be preferable due to the fact that we should, at that time, have a much better idea of what our financial campaign is likely to turn up, and would therefore be in better position for the making of plans and decisions. With this in mind, what would you say as a member of the Executive Committee, to the 9th, 16th, or 23rd of March as meeting dates? Would any of these be convenient for you, and if so, would you have a preference among them? As soon as I hear from you, and can clear one of these dates with other members of the Committee, I will advise you of the chosen date.

Meanwhile, with every good wish, I am

Cordially and sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

January 25, 1949

To: Mrs. McKoy

This is official notice to you that Edgar Stern is no longer a member of the Board. As by the documents, he was elected to a renewed term of four years (November, 1948). In December, 1948 (December 27), he said sorry he couldn't accept.

Here is the letter, to go through you to files.

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SRC - Bd of Directors - Membership

January 13, 1949

Mr. Edgar B. Stern
2110 American Bank Building
New Orleans 12, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Stern:

We are sorry that you find it necessary not to accept the Council's election of you for a further four-year term on the Board.

You have been our good friend for so long that I will continue to count you as some one who likes us. Please feel free at any time to write us with comment and criticism as to what the Council is or is not doing.

Paul Williams and I are to be in New Orleans the 18th and 19th of this month. We will call at your office and see if you are available for letting us meet you.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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EDGAR B. STERN
2110 AMERICAN BANK BUILDING
NEW ORLEANS 12

December 27, 1948

Mr. Geo. S. Mitchell,
Executive Director,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
Room 432,
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

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Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I have received your letter of the 24th. I want to thank you and your associates in the Southern Regional Council for the honor of being named as a member of the Board of Directors for the next four years.

I very much appreciate this invitation, but I am going to ask that I be excused from this service. For some time past I have been trying to restrict my commitments which have grown very heavy with the years, and I have come to realize that I am spread out much too thin, and that the appearance of my name on the boards of so many institutions and organizations is, in my opinion, having the effect of curtailing my usefulness to those that I attempt to serve. I hope you will understand the spirit in which this is written.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Edgar B. Stern

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December 24, 1948

Mr. Edgar Stern
2110 American Bank Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Stern:

The Southern Regional Council has been honored by your service as a member of its Board of Directors for the four-year term 1944 - 1948.

It is a pleasure to inform you that at the annual membership meeting on November 10, 1948 in Atlanta you were reelected as a member of the Board for the four-year term 1948 - 1952.

Unless I hear to the contrary from you, I shall take for granted your acceptance.

We are grateful for the assistance which your continued interest in the Council gives to its work.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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cc: Mrs. Agnes McKoy

March 7, 1944

Mr. Edgar B. Stern
Eight Forty Union Street
New Orleans 12, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Stern:

We are glad to have your letter of March 3, expressing your willingness to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council, Inc.

The by-laws provide for an annual meeting of the Board, and under ordinary circumstances it will not be necessary for the members to meet again during the year. We shall be pleased to have you accept membership, therefore, and we believe that you will not find your duties too taxing. We shall understand if you find it impossible to attend all meetings of the Board, although we hope that you will be able to do so.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

GUY B. JOHNSON
Executive Director

EDGAR B. STERN
EIGHT FORTY UNION STREET
NEW ORLEANS 12

March 3, 1944

Mr. Guy B. Johnson, Executive Director,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
710 Standard Building,
Atlanta, 3, Ga.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

I received your letter of the 24th ultimo. I appreciate the compliment of being elected to the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council. My health recently has not been of the best, and my physician has urged me to curtail my activities rather than to increase them. Under these conditions I can not promise any very active work in behalf of the Council, and it will be difficult for me to attend many meetings.

If, under these conditions, you are willing to have me serve, I'll be pleased to accept, but will ask you to feel entirely free to withdraw the invitation if you feel you would prefer to put someone in my place who could be more active.

Sincerely yours,

Edgar B. Stern

EBStern:MB

Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

1/31/49

Mrs. McKoy:

Here, for the record, is the letter of acceptance of Board membership from President Milner of Guilford College.

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Sending: Fleming, Honest Answer, Race and Suffrage, Digest, Condition, Educated South, Healthy South, Vance, Oct., Nov., and Dec.-Jan. New South.

January 31, 1949

President Clyde A. Milner
Guilford College
North Carolina

Dear Mr. Milner:

It is the busy people who are really the most help to any organization, anyway.

We are grateful for your willingness to be a member of our Board.

I am sending you separately a package of some of the Council's more recent publications. If you can find time to glance through them, they will give you a good coverage of the work the Council does.

Sincerely yours,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

January 27, 1949

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Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Your letter dated January 25 informing me that I have been appointed to the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council for a four-year term has just been received. Of course, I am interested in the constructive program of the Council and will encourage and assist in every way I possibly can. As you no doubt realize, I am really on too many committees and councils already to be of maximum assistance to any one of them. However, with an understanding of the limitations of time, as well as of ability, I will serve in the assigned capacity as much as possible.

I am

Very sincerely yours,

Clyde A. Milner

Clyde A. Milner
President

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cc: Mrs. McKoy

January 25, 1949

President Clyde Milner
Guilford College
North Carolina

Dear President Milner:

I trust the mails did get through to you our letter of December 15, about the action of the Council's membership meeting in November, 1948, in electing you to the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council for a four-year term.

We are warmly hoping that you can tell us that this is agreeable with you. Our Board is a body of fairly important Southern people, and we should greatly like to have you as one of the number.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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cc: Mrs. McKoy

December 15, 1948

President Clyde Milner
Guilford College
North Carolina

Dear President Milner:

I take pleasure in writing you that at the annual membership meeting of the Southern Regional Council on November 10, 1948 in Atlanta, you were unanimously elected to membership on the Board of Directors of the Council for a four-year term, 1948 - 1952.

The Board membership is generally that given in the enclosed leaflet, although some ten of the Board members there shown were not reelected, and other persons were chosen to fill their places.

The Council expects Board members to attend a single annual meeting, which has hitherto been held in connection with the annual membership meeting. Most Board members come, therefore, for the membership meeting on one day and the Board meeting on the next. The Council pays the travel expenses of its Board members to the meeting and back.

We are all sincerely hopeful that you will give us the support of your interest and advice by accepting your election to membership on the Board.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

SRC - Board of Directors - Membership

November 3, 1948

President Clyde Milner
Guilford College
Guilford, North Carolina (should be: Guilford College, North Carolina)

Dear President Milner:

The Council has its annual membership meeting November 10, here in Atlanta. Of those members of the Board of Directors of the Council whose terms will be up this year, it is probable that six or seven will not be reelected and we will, therefore, have a total of seven or eight vacancies on the Board.

Several people have suggested that we ask you to come onto the Board. I have taken the liberty of sending your name to the standing nominating committee, and I should think it altogether probable that they will approve and that the membership will invite you November 10 to be on the Board. Incidentally, the first meeting of that new Board will be here in Atlanta the morning of November 11. We would greatly like to have you here for the membership meeting on the 10th and the Board meeting on the 11th. We pay expenses of the members of the Board and would so include you.

The enclosed little pamphlet has the list of present Board members. The others in North Carolina are Mrs. Ames, Dr. Alexander, President David Jones, Dr. Newbold, Dr. Odum, President Seabrook, Mr. Wheeler at Durham, and Dr. Trigg at Raleigh. We are hoping that Jonathan Daniels will also take membership on the Board.

I cannot really be very sanguine that college commitments will let you be free on this short notice to be in Atlanta for the 10th

and 11th, but we do hope that you can write that you will be willing to come on the Board.

The Board really meets only once a year, though it generally meets twice in two days at the time of the annual meeting. So far as I know, it doesn't cost Board members anything.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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February 8, 1949

Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Virginia Union University
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Dr. Hancock:

I hesitate to set a date for the next meeting of the Executive Committee when I have not yet heard from you as to the date which you can be with us. March 16, however, appears to be the choice of the greatest number of members, and I do hope that you can be with us at that time.

The meeting will be held in the Council offices as usual at ten o'clock. We all look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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February 8, 1949

Dr. Charles S. Johnson, President
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Johnson:

March 16 now appears to be the date on which we are most likely to have a quorum for the meeting of the Executive Committee. The meeting will be an important one, and we are especially desirous of having you with us. I hope your schedule will somehow be lightened so that you can make it.

We shall meet in the Council offices as usual at ten o'clock.

As the date draws near, won't you let us hear from you as to whether or not you can come?

Cordially and sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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FISK UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE 8, TENNESSEE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

January 27, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Sec.-Treas.
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Ave. N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I have received your letter of January 20, inquiring about possible meeting dates for the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council. March 9 seems to be my most likely date. This happens to be an extremely difficult period for me, and it looks as if I will be under this stress until sometime in May, but I will try to make the meeting at that time.

Sincerely yours,

Charles S. Johnson

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February 8, 1949

Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. James McNamara
Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist
Rector's Office
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Monsignor McNamara:

March 16 appears to be the date most favored by members of the Executive Committee for the next meeting, and we do hope that you can be with us as indicated by your letter on that date.

The meeting will be held in the Council offices as usual at ten o'clock. We all look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist
RECTOR'S OFFICE
Savannah, Georgia

January 25, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.,
Atlanta, 3, Georgia.

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

March 16 or 23 will be suitable for me to attend a meeting of the SRC Executive Committee.

I do sincerely hope that the financial campaign is succeeding and that in consequence the Committee will be enabled to address itself to problems equally pressing.

With every good and best wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

T. James McNamara

Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. James McNamara.

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February 8, 1949

Dr. Harold L. Trigg, President
St. Augustine's College
Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Dr. Trigg:

At last I am able to announce a date for the meeting of the Executive Committee. It now appears that March 16 is the preference of the greatest number of the members and I do hope that you can be with us at that time.

The meeting will be held in the Council offices as usual at ten o'clock. We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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SAINT AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE
RALEIGH, N. C.

January 21, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I thank you for your letter of January 18, 1949, and I wish to increase the order for The Survey Manual to sixty-two. We are planning to use this manual in a specially designed course for seniors and it will be the only text used.

So far as I know the 16th or 23rd of March would be suitable for me to meet in Atlanta. Please let me know as soon as possible what the date will be, so that I can make my arrangements with the United Negro College Fund, Inc. without conflict.

With kindest good wishes to all of you, I remain

Yours very sincerely,

Harold L. Trigg
President

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SAINT AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE
RALEIGH, N. C.

Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Southern Regional Conference
63 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

Since writing you concerning the 23rd as the possible date for me to come to Atlanta I have received a notice of a meeting of the Christian Social Relations, which is to be held on February 8th and 9th in Atlanta, Georgia. This meeting is a definite obligation, and I would hardly be able to return again for the 23rd.

It was a pleasure to have Dr. Mitchell attend our exercises on January 14, 1949. I suppose he has given a detailed account of the whole thing to the Office Staff.

With kindest good wishes to all of you, I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

Harold L. Trigg
President

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February 8, 1949

Mr. Carter Wesley
P. O. Box 3086
Houston 1, Texas

Dear Mr. Wesley:

March 16 appears to be the date most favored by members of the Executive Committee for their next meeting, and I do hope that you will find it possible to be with us as indicated in your letter.

The meeting will be held in the Council offices as usual, at ten o'clock. We all look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer
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Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

Thanks for yours of January 20, at this stage I feel that I'd settle for either the 9th, 16th or 23rd of March, and I do intend to make a serious effort to attend.

Very truly yours,

Carter Wesley

/d

SRC - Exec Ctee - Corresp.

February 8, 1949

Mr. Paul D. Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Williams:

I hesitate to set a date for the meeting of the Executive Committee when I have not yet heard from you, yet March 16 now appears to be the date on which we are most likely to have a quorum.

Please let me know whether you can be with us at that time. The meeting will be an important one, and we are most eager to have you with us.

We shall meet in the Council offices as usual, at ten o'clock.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

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FISK UNIVERSITY

NASHVILLE 8, TENNESSEE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

February 15, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I am noting your letter of February 8 indicating that March 16 appears to be the date on which we are most likely to have a quorum for the meeting of the Executive Committee. One of our major school programs is held on that date. The fixing of this date was held off as long as possible in the hope that there might be no conflict with any other urgent program. Now that our uncertainty is settled into a fact, I shall have to see if our own program here can be altered. I would like if possible to attend this meeting of the Executive Committee.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Charles S. Johnson

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THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHAPEL HILL

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY
AND ANTHROPOLOGY

February 16, 1949

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Southern Regional Council

Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Secretary, S-R-C
63 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I am afraid I have neglected to answer your inquiry about my preference for the time of the March meeting of the Executive Committee.

All Wednesdays are about equally inconvenient for one who is teaching. March 9 is right at the end of a quarter, when I shall be trying to cover a lot of ground in lectures. On March 16 I should be grading papers for exams given the previous day. On March 23 the spring term opens, and it is rather bad to miss the first day of class work. (In fact, students get fined for it.) So you see I am hard to please.

All in all, I suppose March 9 is the best bet for me, but I will do my best to come on whatever date seems suitable to the majority.

With all good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Guy B. Johnson

Guy B. Johnson

P.S. Thanks for the "transposed digit" refund. You should have kept it in the treasury and let me take it out in literature some time.

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February 17, 1949

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Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss McKoy:

In answer to yours of February 8, I am marking the 16th on my calendar and shall make a real effort to be there.

Best wishes.

Very truly yours,

Carter Wesley

Carter Wesley

/d

February 21, 1949

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

March 16 now appears to be the date on which we are most likely to have a quorum for our Executive Committee meeting.

We will meet as usual in the offices of the Council at ten o'clock, and we all look forward to seeing you at that time.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

February 8, 1949

Mr. Charles Gillman
75 Ivy Street, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

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AM:s

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Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta, Georgia

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University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, N. C.

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AM:s

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February 21, 1949

Mr. John H. Wheeler
Mechanics & Farmers Bank
Durham, N. C.

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AM:s

February 8, 1949

Miss Josephine Wilkins
Forsyth Building
Atlanta 3, Georgia

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AM:s

SRC - Bd. of Dirs. — Membership

VIRGINIA UNION UNIVERSITY

JOHN MALCUS ELLISON, PRESIDENT

RICHMOND 20, VIRGINIA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

February 22, 1949

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Southern Regional Council

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Thank you for your letter inviting me to membership on the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council. If I can be of service, I shall be glad to accept your gracious invitation.

Yours sincerely,

J. M. Ellison

J. M. Ellison
President

JME:blr

SRC Board of Dir's
Membership

February 16, 1949

Mr. John M. Ellison
Virginia Union University
Richmond 20, Virginia

Dear Mr. Ellison:

At the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council in November, 1948, provision was made for election to the Board of Directors of the Council of the heads of the several state interracial commissions affiliated with the Council or working in close cooperation with it.

By some oversight we have thus far failed to write to you to ask your kind agreement in becoming a member of the Board, in your ex officio capacity as chairman of the Department of Interracial Cooperation of the Virginia Council of Churches. The Board is a rather distinguished company of people. Ordinarily it meets only once a year (at the time of the annual membership meeting), and expenses of Board members are paid to and from the meetings.

We think it is important for the needs and wishes of the various affiliated state committees to be represented on the Board.

I do hope, therefore, that you can write us that you are willing to serve in this way.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t

Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

2/23/49

Mrs. McKoy:

This is formal notice that the Rev. Mr. Leon Russell is an ex officio member of the Board of Directors. Will you so annotate and amend the official roster as to make it known for all time that he is a Board member?

Complied
Feb. 21. 49

cc: Mrs. Curry

SRC - Bd. of Dirs. - membership

Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church

Greenville, North Carolina

LEON RUSSELL
MINISTER

February 21, 1949

Mr. George S. Mitchell, Director
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Your letter of February 16 has been forwarded to me here.

Thank you for the invitation to become a member of the Board of the Southern Regional Council. I shall be glad to serve in any way that I can.

Sincerely yours,

Leon Russell

Leon Russell

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Not first of change of address (1) Mrs Wilkey
(2) Mrs Curry
(3) H. Fleming

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SRC Board of Dirs
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Goldsboro, North Carolina

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George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t

December 9, 1948

Dr. R. L. Russell, Director
Georgia Committee on Interracial Cooperation
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Russell:

The Southern Regional Council has been honored by your membership on its Board of Directors for the four-year term from 1944 through November 10, 1948. I should like to express personally to you my appreciation of the help and encouragement you have given to the Council's program.

The membership meeting on November 10 elected you to the Board of Directors in your ex officio capacity as head of the Georgia Interracial Committee, so that we look forward to continuing to have your advice and aid in the work of the Board.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t
cc: Mrs. Agnes McKoy

SRC
Board of Dir

Route 3
Clarkesville, Georgia
March 7, 1949

George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, 3 Georgia

Dear George:

Sorry I do not know Rabbi Mantinband. Morris has written to a friend, Stanley Rosenbaum, in Florence who would know. Since Stanley is liberal, Morris thinks his judgment would be dependable.

As soon as there is a reply, I'll send it on to you.

Sincerely,

Barbara

Barbara J. Mitchell

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Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

3/2

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200 North Wood Avenue
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--as a person suitable to be made a member of the Board of Directors of the Council.

He was acquainted with Rabbi Vrav, sometime of Vicksburg and now of Cincinnati.

We might hold attached to this memo our incoming letter of February 17 from Rabbi Mantinband, as indicating the neat qualifications he has for being on our Board.

I have thrown out one or two other lines for information about Rabbi Mantinband, and have written the Rabbi, as enclosed.

March 2, 1949

Mrs. Morris Mitchell
Clarkesville, Georgia

Dear Barbara:

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Would it be your judgment that Manband would be a good man for us on the Board?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:t

March 2, 1949

Mr. Alexander Miller
Anti-Defamation League
11 Pryor Street, SW
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Alex:

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Sincerely,

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Executive Director

GSM:t

SRC. Board of Dirs, Membership

THE HORSESHOE
RAPIDAN, VIRGINIA

March 11, 1949

Dear Mr. Williams,

Your letter of March 9th has arrived following a recent illness of Mr. Stettinius, and I am therefore taking the liberty of replying in his behalf.

He has asked me to tell you how much he appreciates the honor of having been asked to serve as a Director of the Southern Regional Council. However, it has been necessary for him recently to discontinue a number of other activities of this nature, and he sincerely regrets that it is not possible for him to undertake this further responsibility, much as he would like to do so.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

L. F. Wallace

L. F. Wallace
Secretary to
Edward R. Stettinius, Jr.

Mr. Paul D. Williams, President
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond 22, Virginia

March 9, 1949.

Mr. Edward R. Stettinius
Horseshoe Farm
Rapidan, Virginia

Dear Mr. Stettinius:

At the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council in Atlanta the membership, by a unanimous vote, selected six persons to fill vacancies on our Board of Directors. One of those selected was yourself. We have not thus far approached you because we knew you were out of the country and much engaged. Other board members elected this year were:

Mr. E. R. Palmer, President, Kingsport Press, Kingsport, Tennessee.

President Clyde Milner of Guilford College, North Carolina

Bishop R. R. Wright of the AME Zion Church

Dr. Arthur F. Raper, Social Scientist on Rural Life, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Vienna, Virginia

President Harry V. Richardson of Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.

The Southern Regional Council is highly recognized as the principal Southern voice for an active program of progress in materail things and in understanding for all the peoples of the South. Its membership and its board are drawn from both races and from the leading religious groups over the South. They include a great many people effective in business, labor, industry, education and other fields.

The Council has done its work with a sense of responsibility. It has consistently used knowledge and temperateness as tools for finding solutions to the needs of the South locally in the states and in the Nation.

SRC - Bd. of Directors - Membership
Rabbi Maslin hand's file

March 16, 1949

Dear George:

Stanley Rosenbaum is one of the few liberal, well read people in his part of Alabama. I'd put a lot of confidence in his judgment.

Allen

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LOUIS ROSENBAUM
GEN. MANAGER

MRS. TONY SUDEKUM
PARTNER

STANLEY ROSENBAUM
ASS'T MANAGER

PRINCESS THEATRE, FLORENCE
MAJESTIC THEATRE, FLORENCE
COLBERT THEATRE, SHEFFIELD
RITZ THEATRE, SHEFFIELD

Muscle Shoals Theatres

Florence, Alabama
TELEPHONE 601

STRAND THEATRE, TUSCUMBIA
RITZ THEATRE, ATHENS
PLAZA THEATRE, ATHENS

March 12, 1949

Dr. Morris R. Mitchell
Route # 3
Clarkesville, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I enjoyed hearing from you. I am familiar with the aims and nature of the Southern Regional Council, and knowing Rabbi Mantinband very well, I am entirely confident that he would be eminently suitable to serve on the board. I know him to be intensely interested in racial problems and that his viewpoint is in accordance with that of the Council.

We have four little boys now and consequently had outgrown our house, so we had Mr. Wright design us a considerable addition which is now completed. Whenever you are up in this part of the country I would like you to see it, knowing how interested you always were in our house.

With kindest regards to you and Mrs. Mitchell from Mimi and myself, I am,

Very truly yours,

Stanley

Stanley Rosenbaum

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Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

3/4/49

Mrs. McKoy:

Here is letter of acceptance to Board membership from --

President John M. Ellison
Virginia Union University
Richmond 20, Virginia

He is one of the ex officio members, coming on the Board as chairman of the Department of Race Relations, Virginia Council of Churches.

Please see that he is recorded on all the official rosters, mailing list, and so on.

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cc: GSM
HCF

C.A.C. Has this.

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George S. Mitchell

GSM:t

March 1, 1949

Rabbi Charles Mantinband
206 North Wood Avenue
Florence, Alabama

Dear Rabbi Mantinband:

We are most grateful for your kind letter of February 17. Thank you for the additional check, which handsomely straightens out all matters of membership.

We were all most appreciative of Rabbi Brav's help, and sorry indeed that we have lost him to Cincinnati.

I have been anxious, too, that we get someone to fill his place on the Board.

I took the liberty of writing Mr. Almon, as enclosed, hoping that he could be interested in becoming a member of the Council.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t

cc: Mrs. McKoy

TRI-CITIES JEWISH CONGREGATION

FLORENCE, SHEFFIELD, TUSCUMBIA
ALABAMA

RABBI CHARLES MANTINBAND
206 NORTH WOOD AVE.
FLORENCE

TEMPLE B'NAI ISRAEL
ATLANTA AVE.
SHEFFIELD

February 17, 1949

Mrs Agnes McKoy, Secy.,
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave. N. E.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

Sorry about the error in membership. Perhaps you will accept another check of $2 which will make both Mrs. Mantinband and the writer members of the Council.

I have gone through the material that you have sent, quite thoroughly, and am much impressed with the objectives of this organization. It seems to me ~~to~~ fundamentally sound and far-reaching. I know that my colleague, Stanley Brav, has moved from Vicksburg to Cincinnati. It is my hope that some other liberal Rabbi in the area will be found to replace him on your Council.

If I can serve the cause in any way, please advise me. Although I am originally a Southerner, with a Virginia background, my pulpit was for many years in Pennsylvania, where I served as vice-chairman of the State Interracial Committee, under Dr. Leslie Pinckney Hill. Recently, under Jewish Chautauqua auspices, I have spent some time visiting and lecturing at Negro schools, among them Southern Christian Institute at Edwards, Miss., and LeMoyne College in Memphis. There is quite a cosmopolitan population in this Muscle-Shoals-TVA area

With all good wishes, I am

Yours sincerely,

C. Mantinband
Charles Mantinband

2nd Mrs. K.
OAC for this

The Enc. is from last night's local paper

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SRC-Executive Ctee - Correspondence

bc: Dr. Will Alexander

March 18, 1949
Dict. March 17

President Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville 8, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Johnson:

We missed you greatly at yesterday's meeting of the Executive Committee, but were mindful that you had told us that it would be hard for you to get here.

We all felt somewhat encouraged about money matters. Twelve have now paid or pledged the $250 amount matching Dr. Odum's gift, and we have held useful meetings in five states looking toward getting the other matching amounts.

We also made some plans which might conceivably provide a sustaining fund for the Council.

The minutes will come along to you in a day or two. Meanwhile, I tell you that we decided to meet quarterly in the future, instead of three times a year. That brings another meeting in June, as well as a September one. Mrs. McKoy will be writing you with a view to consulting first your convenience for a June date.

Monsignor McNamara will celebrate in four or five weeks the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination. It was thought fitting to send around to the members of the Committee a letter of the kind for which I enclose a draft. First preference would be for you to write a better letter and sign it and send it back to us. Second preference would be for you to sign this one and send it back to us. We will send the letter out for the other signatures.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:t

SRC - Exec Cttee - Corresp

March 18, 1949

Mr. Carter Wesley
P. O. Box 3086
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Wesley:

We missed you greatly at the meeting, but quite understood the compelling reason that kept you away. Thank you for letting us know.

We are in a queer stage. The Committee and the Council's membership and, I think, the whole South see more than ever before the need for the things the Council does; oddly, this striking pick-up in need and in performance comes just when our financial props are weakest. The Committee spent a good deal of time reviewing the plans we have made to raise money, and I think went away hopeful.

I am anxious to come to Texas and talk with you and others about finding some people there who could match Dr. Odum's gift of $250. You remember he undertook in November to give us that sum if we could find 99 other southern people that would do the same. Don't worry; I am not begging you for money, but I do wish you would start building a list of Texas people of means who might be persuaded to give that sum this year.

After the meeting, in a small gathering at home, various of the Committee members spoke of you with the greatest cordiality, and with appreciation of your firmness and wisdom on various occasions. Mrs. Havens and Josephine Wilkins recalled these events with clarity.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t

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March 16, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I am sorry that I broke a definite, solemn promise this time. But I certainly gave it in the best of faith. Despite the fact that it is much more difficult now to get decent connections to Atlanta, than it was a year or so ago, I finally decided that I would take a plane out of here which would get me to Atlanta at 4 o'clock in the morning, in order to get there for the Wednesday meeting. I had a good schedule for coming back for early evening, that would get me in here about 11:00 that night, to compensate for the punishment I was taking Tuesday night to get to the meeting. I not only had my secretary to order the ticket, but she actually had picked it up.

Then there plumped into my lap Dr. Frederick Patterson, E. M. Carroll, Assistant to President Rhoads of Bishop, and Randall Tyus, on this United College Fund Drive. What had me caught was that on a Board meeting in New York in October, Dr. Patterson and I got to talking about this College Fund Drive down here, and I had made a suggestion about getting the alumni to carry the bulk of the work. He seized upon it and asked me if I would help when they came down this spring. Well, nothing indicated that they were coming down here at the very time that I ought to have been going to the Southern Regional, so in October I told him yes. Then when they flopped in here and came straight to my office, I just couldn't walk out from under them. So at long last I cancelled the reservation and sent you a wire of regrets.

Incidentally, Eastern has taken off practically all of its flights that go through Atlanta from here. There are only about two flights that go that way at all without a long delay in New Orleans. The only choice that I had was to leave here in the morning Tuesday, and take all day

coming there and hanging around, in order to be there on Wednesday, or to leave here Tuesday night and ride all night and get in there at 4 o'clock. The train was impossible. It would take too long to ride the train from here to New Orleans to make connections. On the other hand, I could get no plane that would get to New Orleans early enough in the morning to get a good connection, and the night train did not get into Atlanta until up in the day. The morning plane from here would have gotten me in after 12 o'clock actually, from the port to town, so that wasn't very good.

I hope by the time you have another meeting the Eastern will shift those constantly shifting schedules again, so that we can get better connections from this end.

Hope you had a very fine meeting, and good luck to everybody.

Very truly yours,

Carter Wesley

/d

cc: Dr. George S. Mitchell

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Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

3/21/49

Harold:

Could you write Mr. Hancock a letter and give him some estimate of the total circulation of Council material since the last membership meeting? I take it that was what he was after in the question he raised at the Executive Committee meeting.

GSM

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Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

3/21/49
Dict. 3/17

Mrs. McKoy:

You might begin at an early date to correspond with the members of the Executive Committee with a view to fixing a date between June 5 and June 15 for the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

You remember that it was Mr. Williams' suggestion at the meeting yesterday that very particular effort be made to set the schedule to meet Dr. Chas. Johnson's convenience.

GSM

bc: Dr. Mitchell

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March 22, 1949

Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Virginia Union University
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Dr. Hancock:

Recalling your question at the Executive Committee meeting, we have worked up a reasonably accurate estimate of the distribution of Council material during the year 1948. While these are not exact figures, they may give you some notion of how our publications program is working.

According to our estimate, the Council distributed a total of about 76,000 pieces of literature during the year. Of these, some 46,000 went to members and subscribers in the form of New South and special pamphlets. The remaining 30,000, which were sold, brought in the amount cited by Mrs. McKoy as income from sale of literature. The record for 1949 should be even better, since we have already sold at least 15,000 pieces.

It was fine having you with us last week.

With every good wish,

Sincerely yours,

Harold C. Fleming
Director of Information

hcf/t

SRC. Exec. Com. Corresp.

March 25, 1949

Mr. Carter Wesley
P. O. Box 3086
Houston 1, Texas

Dear Mr. Wesley:

It was awfully good of you to write us such a nice long letter telling us of your disappointment and frustration in getting here for the meeting of the Executive Committee. We too, were disappointed, but I don't see how you could have done other than you did, so we shall just hope for better luck the next time. We do realize how very difficult it is to come from a distance as far away as Houston.

Meanwhile, all good wishes to you from all of us here.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I am sorry that I broke a definite, solemn promise this time. But I certainly gave it in the best of faith. Despite the fact that it is much more difficult now to get decent connections to Atlanta, than it was a year or so ago, I finally decided that I would take a plane out of here which would get me to Atlanta at 4 o'clock in the morning, in order to get there for the Wednesday meeting. I had a good schedule for coming back for early evening, that would get me in here about 11:00 that night, to compensate for the punishment I was taking Tuesday night to get to the meeting. I not only had my secretary to order the ticket, but she actually had picked it up.

Then there plumped into my lap Dr. Frederick Patterson, E. M. Carroll, Assistant to President Rhoads of Bishop, and Randall Tyus, on this United College Fund Drive. What had me caught was that on a Board meeting in New York in October, Dr. Patterson and I got to talking about this College Fund Drive down here, and I had made a suggestion about getting the alumni to carry the bulk of the work. He seized upon it and asked me if I would help when they came down this spring. Well, nothing indicated that they were coming down here at the very time that I ought to have been going to the Southern Regional, so in October I told him yes. Then when they flopped in here and came straight to my office, I just couldn't walk out from under them. So at long last I cancelled the reservation and sent you a wire of regrets.

Incidentally, Eastern has taken off practically all of its flights that go through Atlanta from here. There are only about two flights that go that way at all without a long delay in New Orleans. The only choice that I had was to leave here in the morning Tuesday, and take all day

coming there and hanging around, in order to be there on Wednesday, or to leave here Tuesday night and ride all night and get in there at 4 o'clock. The train was impossible. It would take too long to ride the train from here to New Orleans to make connections. On the other hand, I could get no plane that would get to New Orleans early enough in the morning to get a good connection, and the night train did not get into Atlanta until up in the day. The morning plane from here would have gotten me in after 12 o'clock actually, from the port to town, so that wasn't very good.

I hope by the time you have another meeting the Eastern will shift those constantly shifting schedules again, so that we can get better connections from this end.

Hope you had a very fine meeting, and good luck to everybody.

Very truly yours,

Carter Wesley

Carter Wesley

/d

cc: Dr. George S. Mitchell

SRC Exec Committee Corresp.

March 25, 1949

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Johnson:

Everyone was greatly disappointed that you were not able to be with us on Wednesday last for the meeting of the Executive Committee. At the same time we recognized the heavy pressure of duties which must weigh constantly on you.

It was the consensus among all present that for the next meeting of the Executive Committee you should be allowed to set the date and that everyone else would attempt to conform with whatever date should prove convenient for you. Since the next meeting falls in June, could you indicate a date that you have open at that time so that we might clear it with other members of the Committee as a meeting date for June?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

March 30, 1949

Here are the minutes of the Executive Committee of the Council for its meeting March 16.

Particular attention is called to the action looking toward replacement at the annual Board meeting of any members of the Executive Committee who were absent from all meetings of the Executive Committee during the twelve months interval between membership meetings.

The Committee values greatly its every member, but felt that this rule was necessary in order that the Executive Committee might fully meet its responsibilities.

May I express my own hope, and that of the Committee, that in the meetings now set for mid-June and early September, 1949, you will find it possible to be present.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

March 16, 1949

The Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council met on March 16, 1949, in the Atlanta offices of the Council. President Paul Williams called the meeting to order at 10:15 A.M. Dr. Gordon Hancock led in prayer. The roll call by the secretary-treasurer revealed the following members present:

Dr. Rufus E. Clement	Msgr. T. James McNamara
Mr. Leonard Haas	Dr. George S. Mitchell
Dr. Gordon B. Hancock	Miss Josephine Wilkins
Dr. Guy B. Johnson	Mr. Paul D. Williams

Members not able to attend the meeting were:

Mr. Charles Gillman	Dr. Harold L. Trigg
Dr. Charles S. Johnson	Mr. Carter Wesley

Mr. John H. Wheeler

Staff members present were: Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Mrs. Henry Havens, Field Secretaries of the Council, Mr. Harold C. Fleming, Director of Information, and Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary-Treasurer of the Council.

On the motion of Mr. Haas and seconded by Dr. Hancock,

1. IT WAS VOTED that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with.

STAFF REPORTS

General Report-- Dr. Mitchell

The executive director reported briefly on the period since the membership meeting, describing mainly the series of state fund-raising meetings in North Carolina, Virginia, Kentucky, Alabama and Florida. A South Carolina meeting will occur late this month, he reported, and he expected that meetings of this kind would be held altogether in a total of ten of the southern states. Eleven persons have paid or pledged a sum of $250 in meeting Dr. Odum's conditional offer.

Mr. Clement and others made useful suggestions about money-raising contacts.

In reporting membership, the secretary-treasurer circulated a chart showing membership increases from 1944 (800 members) to February, 1949 (3,045 members).

Under finances, she exhibited the audit report for 1948 and provided a financial statement as of March 15, showing total receipts, January 1 through March 15, 1949, at $22,806.09, and total disbursements for the same period as $18,500.93. Of this latter figure for disbursements, a total of $7,652.02 was shown to have been paid in 1949 in meeting the deficit incurred in 1948, giving a net disbursement for the account of true 1949 expenses of $10,848.91.

The Council's current salary scale was submitted, and the budget for 1949, as approved at the membership meeting, November, 1948 was again set out.

A list of pledges and contributions in the interval since the membership meeting was also circulated to members of the Committee.

The Committee noted with appreciation the contribution of $500 from the Marion R. Ascoli Fund toward matching a contingent allocation from an anonymous Southern foundation donor of $3,000 for the home town self-survey project. They were especially appreciative of the donations of more than $2500 which had been secured from Catholic sources through the efforts of Mr. Paul Williams.

Other possibilities for substantial gifts were explored. Discussion followed as to the possibility of engaging professional fund-raising services looking toward a sustaining fund for the Council. Upon motion,

2. IT WAS VOTED "that the Executive Director be asked to explore the possibilities of obtaining professional fund-raising assistance, and be given discretionary power to enter into such a contractual arrangement."

The Executive Committee was apprised of arrangements made for approval of the minutes of the 1948 membership meeting by a committee (selected by the staff) consisting of:

Dr. J. Max Bond
Mrs. Grace Hamilton
Miss Rosalind Rieman

Publications

Under publications, Mr. Harold Fleming, director of information, supplied the committee with the more recent publications of the Council and described the circulation achieved. Mr. Hancock requested figures on the total circulation which, though not for the moment available, were promised. (As supplied later to Mr. Hancock: the Council estimates that it distributed about 76,000 paid-for pieces of literature in 1948. Of these, some 46,000 went to members and subscribers, in the form of New South and special pamphlets. The remaining 30,000 were sold, and brought in $2395.00. In addition, some thousands of pieces of free literature were distributed).

Mention was made that the Council expects by March 25 a draft of the pamphlet on race in the news and, by the late spring, a draft of the pamphlet on farm tenure. The Executive Director reviewed plans for a pamphlet on fair employment practices and a pamphlet or article on the effect of law upon custom. Suggestions as to these two forthcoming publications were made by Mr. Clement, Monsignor McNamara, Mr. Hancock, and others.

Field Reports.

Mrs. Tilly gave a stirring review of her work on behalf of civil rights and told of many instances in which it had been possible to interest church and other

groups in the field of civil rights generally, as well as in the other programs of the Council. She mentioned plans now under way for the Council to sponsor jointly with other groups a Southwide meeting on human rights and world order, with particular reference to the South's duty in this regard. The meeting is tentatively planned for the late spring.

Mrs. Havens described her recent trip in Tennessee, reaching Chattanooga, Knoxville, Murfreesboro, Oak Ridge, and other towns, and reported on the progress of the Tennessee Division. She described briefly the work under way in Florida, and efforts being made to obtain wider formal linkage with and support from church groups.

Both Mrs. Havens and Mrs. Tilly pointed to the opportunity for further cultivation of the Council's program among young people. It was agreed that the Council should do more in this direction, and that it would be particularly helpful if a full-time staff person could be afforded for work of this kind.

Business Deriving From Previous Meetings

The director was asked to query Mrs. Alice Spearman for further detail on her proposal that the Council establish regional committees for working with church women and others.

Mr. Paul Williams told of the committee of three that he had appointed to help with the new promotional pamphlet of the Council. They are Miss Wilkins, Dr. Gordon Hancock, and Dr. Guy Johnson.

The Executive Committee discussed Dr. Forrester Washington's suggestion that we link outselves more closely to labor groups. It was agreed that this was desirable, and that a positive program should be worked out to accomplish it.

The Committee reviewed the recommendations of Dr. Forrester Washington, chairman of the nominating committee of the Board to nominate members of the Executive Committee, as made at the November 11 meeting of the Board. Upon motion of Dr. Hancock, seconded by Dr. Clement,

3. IT WAS VOTED that in order to assist a closer relationship by this nominating committee with the personnel and work of the Executive Committee, the following steps should be taken:

   1. Minutes of each meeting of the Executive Committee should be supplied to members of the nominating committee.

   2. A review of the attendance record of members of the Executive Committee should be supplied to members of the nominating committee, and the Executive Committee should now formally recommend to the nominating committee that members of the Executive Committee who are absent from all meetings of the Executive Committee in the interval between annual meetings shall be dropped.

   3. Biographical information about members of the Executive Committee should be so supplied.

LUNCHEON INTERVAL

Rotation in Location of Annual Meeting

After discussion of the proposal of Mr. David Scull of Virginia for rotating the annual meetings over the South, it was agreed by motion that "we go on record as favoring holding the annual meetings over the South; that we ask the director to explore the possibility of host cities this fall, and that discretionary powers be left in his hands."

Priority of Publications

As the last meeting of the Board had left to the Executive Committee the duty of deciding on priority of publications for 1949, the Committee approved the tentative plan of the Director to get out at an early date the publication on race in the news and, as soon as available, the material on fair employment practices, and the influence of legislation upon conduct, and when the manuscript on land tenure comes in, that it be issued. The Committee then expressed itself strongly in favor of having the Council take advantage of the fact that it now has a rounded offering of printed material about the South, by concentrating effort on getting greatly increased sales of the existing stocks of pamphlet material.

Miss Wilkins emphasized the desirability of a series of brief, attractive advertising circulars about the available pamphlets.

Amendment of the By-laws

The Executive Committee approved language supplied by the staff accomplishing in detail amendment of the by-laws pursuant to the action of the membership meeting of November 10, 1948. The language thus inserted was as follows:

ARTICLE IV, Section 1. Election and Powers..... ....."Heads of State Divisions of the Southern Regional Council shall be ex--officio members of the Board of Directors."

Amended to read:

Heads of State Divisions of the Southern Regional Council, and chairmen of affiliated State interracial committees and/or statewide interracial committees working closely with the Council, shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Directors.

In discussion of this amendment, the General Counsel, Mr. Haas, gave it as his opinion that the by-laws of the Council give ex-officio members of the Board both voice and vote.

Board membership

The Executive Director informed the Committee of his action in withholding notification to one of the Board members dropped by action of the membership meeting

of November 10, 1948 (Dr. Ira DeA. Reid) on the ground of non-residence. The Executive Director pointed to other instances of Board members no longer physically resident in the region, as to whose continued membership on the Board no question had been raised, and pointed also to several past instances in which persons removing from the Council area had resigned. In this confusion of precedent, the Executive Director had withheld notice from Dr. Reid. Upon motion by Mr. Hancock,

4. IT WAS VOTED that the Committee recommend to the Board for decision of the next annual meeting of the Council, amendment of the by-laws to read that "all members of the Board of Directors should reside in the Southern states."

The Committee of intent did not undertake to define exactly what would constitute residence in the Council area.

The Executive Director disclosed the considerations which had led him to withhold for the time being invitation to Judge J. Waties Waring to become a member of the Board. The Committee directed that the invitation be now issued.

Nominating Committees

Inasmuch as the last meeting of the Board had placed upon the Executive Committee the responsibility of naming two nominating committees, on the motion of Dr. Hancock, seconded by Mr. Haas,

5. IT WAS VOTED that the following slate be appointed:

1. Nominating Committee of the Board, for Replacements on the Executive Committee:
   - Dr. Forrester Washington, Chairman
   - Mr. John Griffin
   - Miss Florence Sytz
   - Dr. Luther Jackson
   - Mrs. Alice Spearman

2. Nominating Committee of the Membership, for Replacement on the Board of Directors:
   - Mrs. Hortense Young, Chairman
   - Mrs. Ruby Lyells
   - Mr. Cyrus Johnson
   - Mrs. C. B. Smith
   - Dr. E. B. Perry, FELLOW

NEW BUSINESS

Executive Committee Meetings

On the recommendation of the staff, the Committee resolved to resume quarterly meetings. This will make the remaining 1949 meetings come in June and September.

On motion,

6. IT WAS VOTED to empower the staff to charge expenses thus far incurred specifically for the home town survey, against the $500 appropriation from the Marion R. Ascoli Fund, which was given for that purpose.

After discussion, and with the advice of the General Counsel, it was decided that the charter of the Commission on Interracial Cooperation, which expires July 1, 1949, need not be renewed, inasmuch as the Commission owns no property, and the Council is its full and lawful successor.

The Committee was shown correspondence from the publisher of a defunct magazine called The New South, expressing his approval of the aims of the Southern Regional Council, but notifying us that his firm held the copyright on the name of our magazine, and stating that he might at a later date wish to revive his own use of his title.

Upon motion,

7. IT WAS VOTED that the Executive Committee authorize the staff to take appropriate steps with the Federal Government to protect the Southern Regional Council's interest in the name New South.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

TELEPHONE 3-1911

North Carolina Commission on Interracial Cooperation, Inc.

An Affiliate of The Southern Regional Council, Inc.

P. O. Box 1208

Raleigh, North Carolina

DIRECTOR
CYRUS M. JOHNSON

March 31, 1949

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Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Ave. N. E.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I will be glad to do what I can as a member of the standing Nominating Committee for vacancies on the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council. I do think that it is quite a responsible position to be asked to take. I appreciate the expression of the Executive Committee in asking me to serve in this capacity.

Hope things are going well in the Atlanta office these days.

Sincerely,

Cyrus M. Johnson

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March 29, 1949

Mr. Cyrus M. Johnson
336 Salisbury Street
Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee, a standing Nominating Committee of the membership for bringing in nominations for vacancies on the Board of Directors, was named by the Committee.

Mrs. Hortense Young, of the Louisville Defender, 418 S. 5th St., Louisville, Kentucky was chosen as Chairman of this Committee, and other members named were yourself, Mrs. Ruby Lyells, 1116 Montgomery St., Jackson, Mississippi, Mrs. C. B. Smith, The Methodist Parsonage, Donelson, Tennessee, and Dr. E. B. Perry, Rms. 223-224, Pilgrim Building, Houston 3, Texas.

I do hope you will find it possible to serve. This is an important Committee and your choice by the Executive Committee is an expression of their great esteem and confidence. Won't you let me hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

April 7, 1949

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

Following the suggestion made at the last meeting of the Executive Committee, that an attempt be made to clear a date with Dr. Charles Johnson for your next meeting, I have so written him, and have received a reply indicating that June 15 would be a very acceptable date for him and that he would hold this open on his calendar if agreeable with other members on the Committee.

Please advise whether this is a convenient date for you and if it is not, won't you suggest alternate dates which you would have open?

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. C. H. Gillman
75 Ivy Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

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Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta, Georgia

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April 7, 1949

Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Virginia Union University
Richmond, Virginia

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April 7, 1949

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Box 652
Chapel Hill, N. C.

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Secretary-Treasurer

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April 7, 1949

Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. James McNamara
222 E. Harris St.
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Monsignor McNamara:

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Dr. Harold L. Trigg
St. Augustine's College
Raleigh, N. C.

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Mr. Carter Wesley
P. O. Box 3086
Houston, Texas

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Mr. John H. Wheeler
116 W. Parish St.
Durham, N. C.

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April 7, 1949

Miss Josephine Wilkins
Forsyth Building
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Wilkins:

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SBC. Exec Committee Corresp.

April 7, 1949

Mr. Carter Wesley
P. O. Box 3086
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Wesley:

The copy of your letter to Mr. Paul Williams has just been received, and in Dr. Mitchell's absence I am writing you to express my great distress that you should have made personal application, either of the passage in the minutes themselves, or of Dr. Mitchell's letter. Actually, Dr. Mitchell's letter was sparked by the fact that he so esteems and values our present committee that he wants NONE of them to be lost to us, and this certainly includes yourself.

Perhaps it would be well to explain to you how the whole matter came about. At the 1947 Board meeting, the Board, in setting up standing committees to bring in nominations to fill vacancies on the Board, also named a committee to bring in nominations for the executive committee. In all probability the latter committee was set up through pure inadvertence, since I doubt that any board member present could have recalled what provisions the by-laws made for the setting up and functioning of the Executive Committee. Thus, no specifications were given the committee, and no indication as to how it should perform its duty. At that time, the by-laws stated only that the Executive Committee is the creature of the Board, to be set up or abolished at its pleasure, and that vacancies should be filled by the Board. So, when the 1948 Board meeting was held, there were no vacancies in the Executive Committee, and the nominating committee met its dilemma by recommending that the present committee be reelected, but did ask the Board for clarification, and for some statement of its intentions and wishes in setting the nominating committee up as a committee. The question was referred to the Executive Committee for consideration at its next meeting. That was the one just held. The Executive Committee, recognizing that the Board might possibly have felt that there should be some rotation of membership on the

Executive Committee, other than that provided by the outside limitation of eight years (two successive terms) for Board members, sought so earnestly to find some equitable method by which vacancies might be opened from time to time, and thus provide a degree of rotation as indicated. This was not too easy a task but finally the device out-lined in the attached letter which was ready to go out to you when yours arrived.

Practically every one has been absent from time to time, and others besides yourself more than once in succession. And NO ONE has so far to come as you do. I well remember the miserable weather everywhere that grounded your plane on one occasion, and certainly this last time I know no one who would not have had to do exactly what you did under similar circumstances.

So, if we have blundered, please know we did not mean it, and forgive us. Dr. Mitchell will want to write you I know when he returns.

All our esteem and good wishes.

Sincerely,

(Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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P.S. I am enclosing the attached letter which was ready to go out to you when yours arrived.

cc to: Dr. Mitchell
Mr. Paul Williams

PAUL D. WILLIAMS, RICHMOND
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A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

April 12, 1949.

Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
Room 432, 63 Auburn Ave., N. E.,
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

Thanks for sending me a copy of the letter you wrote Mr. Wesley. I think you did a very good job of it. I will write Mr. Wesley a note too.

June 14 and 15 are bad dates for me. I feel sure, however, that I could make it on June 16. Please check with Dr. Johnson and see if he can make it on June 16 and let me know.

With every best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Paul

Paul D. Williams

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April 13, 1949

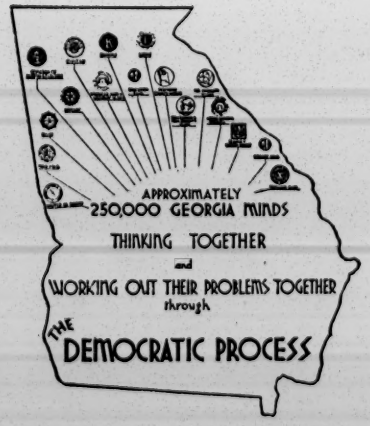
Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
Auburn Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

Replying to your letter of April 7, June 15 is a convenient date for me for the committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Josephine Wilkins
Administrator



April 18, 1949

Mrs. Ruby E. Stutts Lyells
1116 Montgomery Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Lyells:

Thank you so much for your letter of April 2 in response to mine of March 28. We here are very appreciative of your willingness to serve the Council and of its day to day implementation in your work for the Mississippi Division.

Mine of the 28th probably was not clear, but the membership to which it referred was that of a nominating committee which brings in nominations for the Board of Directors to be considered by the membership. This is an important committee since the membership exercises full control through the Board of Directors, and obviously the wide choice of Directors is very important in the functioning and effectiveness of the Council.

We are happy to know that you will serve.

Cordially and sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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THE MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

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OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

1116 Montgomery Street

April 2, 1949

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Mrs. Agnes McKoy,
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

Yes, I'll be happy to serve on the Board of Directors.

Sincerely yours,

Ruby E. Stutts Lyells

Ruby E Stutts Lyells

RESL/b

March 28, 1949

Mrs. Ruby S. Lyells
1116 Montgomery St.
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Lyells:

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee, a standing Nominating Committee of the membership for bringing in nominations for vacancies on the Board of Directors, was named by the Committee.

Mrs. Hortense Young, of the Louisville Defender, 418 S. 5th St., Louisville, Kentucky was chosen as Chairman of this Committee, and other members named were yourself, Mr. Cyrus S. Johnson, 336 Salisbury St., Raleigh, N. C., Mrs. C. B. Smith, The Methodist Parsonage, Donelson, Tennessee, and Dr. E. B. Perry, Rms. 223-224, Pilgrim Building, Houston 3, Texas.

I do hope you will find it possible to serve. This is an important Committee and your choice by the Executive Committee is an expression of their great esteem and confidence. Won't you let me hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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April 18-19, 1949

These have been sent to the members of the Executive Committee and to the officers of the State Divisions and affiliated committees.

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BAC-Exec. Office
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Southern Regional Council, Inc.

63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

We sent you one or two copies of a monthly Washington Letter from Charles Smith.

Charles Smith has taken a job as editor of the North Virginia Free Press which takes, for the time being, all his moments. Therefore, unless things ease up for him, he can't supply us with the material for continuing his letter.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

SRC Bd. of Directors Correspondence

Southern Regional Council, Inc.

63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

April 21, 1949

Dear Board Member:

Here are some extra copies of the new leaflet about the Council.

More gladly, if they could be helpful to you.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t

Enclosures

Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

April 26, 1949

Mrs. McKoy:

In my conversation with Mr. Raymond Paty today the matter of his membership on our Board came up. He recalled that he had once written us a letter resigning, and he had verified in his own files that a copy reposed there, but assumed that we had never received it.

I told him that I had some vague recollection of a letter of that sort, but assumed it had gone to Paul Williams, that I knew no action had been taken at the next membership meeting after the letter.

We finally left it that he is still a member of the Board, though he regards it as a dubious matter for him to be on the Board, as executive officer of a fund. He has got loose from many organizations. I daresay he will sooner or later again formally resign from our Board, but he has not done so as yet, and he does not now impose objection to his continuing status as a member of the Board.

GSM

Mrs. McKoy:

Here is Margaret Boyd's note on Mr. Paty.

Dr. Mitchell asks that you look through the minutes to see if you can find any light.

met

To: GSM
RE: Mr. Paty

I have looked through all the files concerned with Board of Director's correspondence, membership, etc. and cannot find any mention of Patya at all after Oct. 25, 1946 at which time he sent a notice to the Council to the effect that he would not be able to attend the meeting of the Board.

He is listed under "Board members whose terms are due to expire in Oct. 1946.

He was invited and accepted in February 1944

Concerning
Raymond Paty
Board membership

Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF
GEORGE S. MITCHELL

2/15/49

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(2) Jane Simpson

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UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA
UNIVERSITY, ALABAMA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
RAYMOND R. PATY

February 28, 1944

Mr. Guy B. Johnson
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
710 Standard Building
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for your letter of February 24 advising of my election to the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council. I am glad to accept this appointment and take this opportunity to assure you of my desire to cooperate in the important work which the Council is undertaking.

Sincerely yours,

Raymond R. Paty

Raymond R. Paty

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Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

J. H. WHEELER
VICE PRESIDENT-CASHIER

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Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

This will acknowledge your letter with reference to the proposed meeting of the Executive Committee on June 15.

I find now, that this date will be a convenient one for me.

Very truly yours,

J. H. Wheeler

JHW/vr

Outdated - new list made February, 1950

SRC - Board

May 4, 1949

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

By Occupational Classification

Attorneys

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1100 Florida National Bank Building
Jacksonville, Florida

Leonard Haas
Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Marion A. Wright
Topknot
Linville Falls, N. C.

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State Planters and Trust Co.
Richmond 19, Virginia

L. D. Milton, President
Citizens Trust Co.
Atlanta, Georgia

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Mechanics & Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

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Julius Rosenwald Fund
New Hope Farm, Route 3
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Armand May
P. O. Box 1535
Atlanta 1, Georgia

E. W. Palmer, President
Kingsport Press
Kingsport, Tennessee

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Lincoln Institute
Lincoln Ridge, Kentucky

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Montzer-Bush Publishing Co.
Richmond, Virginia

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Baptist

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Atlanta, Georgia

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222 E. Harris St.
Savannah, Georgia

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Savannah, Georgia

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Raleigh, North Carolina

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Jackson 26, Mississippi

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A. M. E. Church
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Atlanta, Georgia

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Methodist Church
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Scotlandville, Louisiana

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Clyde Milner
Guilford College
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F. D. Patterson
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Atlanta, Georgia

J. W. Seabrook
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Harold L. Trigg
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Delta Democrat Times
Greenville, Mississippi

Virginius Dabney, Editor
Times-Dispatch
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Herbert M. Davidson, Editor
Daytona Beach Morning Journal
Daytona Beach, Florida

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Norfolk Virginian-Pilot
Norfolk, Virginia

Alfred Mynders, Editor
Chattanooga Times
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Edgar W. Ray, Executive Editor
Orlando Morning Sentinel and Evening Star
Orlando, Florida

Carter Wesley, Pres. and Publisher
Houston Informer
Houston, Texas

Aubrey Williams, Publisher
Southern Farmer
Montgomery 1, Alabama

P. B. Young, Sr., Editor and Publisher
Norfolk Journal and Guide
Norfolk, Virginia

Organization Executives

Louis E. Burnham, Organ. Secy.
Southern Negro Youth Congress
526 Masonic Temple Building
Birmingham, Alabama

Clark Foreman
1620-22nd St., N. W.
Washington 8, D. C.

Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton, Exec. Secy.
Atlanta Urban League
239 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

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Rich's Foundation
Atlanta, Georgia

Josephine Wilkins, Director
Citizens Fact Finding Movement of Georgia
Atlanta, Georgia

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University of Tennessee
Knoxville, Tennessee

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Sociology and Rural Life
Oklahoma A & M College
Stillwater, Oklahoma

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Emory University
Emory University, Georgia

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Richmond, Virginia

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Virginia State College
Petersburg, Virginia

Guy S. Johnson*
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, N. C.

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Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Louisville, Kentucky

Howard W. Odum
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, N. C.

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Professors of Sociology, Economics, Etc.

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New Orleans, La.

Forrester B. Washington, Director
Atlanta University of Social Work
Atlanta, Georgia

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State Dept. of Public Instruction
Raleigh, North Carolina

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Mayesville, S. C.

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Houston, Texas

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Georgia Committee on Interracial Cooperation
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Atlanta, Georgia

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Newberry, S. C.

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Clearwater, Florida

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Mrs. Warren Zeuch
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818 FORSYTH BUILDING, ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

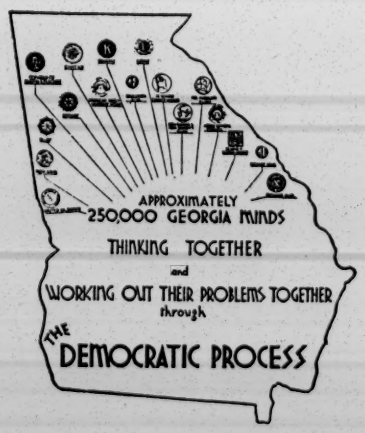
May 4, 1949

Dear George:

I am indeed interested in that exchange of correspondence with the Ladies' Home Journal. Thanks for letting me see it and congratulations on its outcome.

Sincerely yours,

Josephine Wilkins



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SRC - board of Directors

May 5, 1949

Dear Jonathan:

When I wrote you the other day I was behind in reading the New York Times. The day after I sent that letter, I saw in the New York Times why I should not have sent it. It was a weekend and my resolve to write you personally at home somehow got forgotten.

I perfectly understand.

I won't presume advice.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

Mr. Jonathan Daniels
1540 Caswell Street
Raleigh, North Carolina

THE NEWS AND OBSERVER
JONATHAN DANIELS, EDITOR
RALEIGH, N. C.

May 3, 1949

Dear George:

Between ourselves, you couldn't have picked a worse time for bringing up that board membership business. I am in the midst of making the toughest decision of my life and haven't the least idea whether I am going to decide to move to Washington or stay in Raleigh. I am not taking off again. I am just stating the hard facts of life.

Sincerely,

Jonathan

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April 26, 1949

Dear Jonathan:

Are you available by now as a member of our Board? Or shall I regard matters as still cryptic?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

Mr. Jonathan Daniels
1540 Caswell Street
Raleigh, North Carolina

TICKLER SET UP FOR ~~MARCH~~ April 20

January 12, 1949

Dear Jonathan:

You are a good egg, and are so written down in my books.

I will be in touch with you after a couple of months.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

Mr. Jonathan Daniels
1540 Caswell Street
Raleigh, North Carolina

JONATHAN DANIELS

1540 Caswell St.
Raleigh, N. C.
January 4, 1949

Dear George:

Of course, I think I am twice as busy as Mark Ethridge. I have to go to Washington myself every month as a member of the Public Advisory Board of E. C. A., and I find other chores calling for time too. However, I have so much faith in your views and so much hope in the work of the Council that I would like very much to join its Board of Directors.

May we put it this way? Quite confidentially, I am not certain about the pattern of my life in the next few months. It may be that I will not be able to join any boards because of some other activities, but, if you will give me a couple of months, I may very well be able to both say yes and assure you of real activity as a member of the Board.

I would prefer that even this cryptic statement be kept in confidence between us.

Sincerely,

Jonathan

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December 23, 1948

Mr. Jonathan Daniels, Editor
The News and Observer
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Jonathan:

Here is the letter I got yesterday from Mark Ethridge.

Can you summon one further pulse of good will and come and be on the Board anyway?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:t
bc: Harold Fleming
Mrs. McKoy

December 16, 1948

Mr. Jonathan Daniels, Editor
The News and Observer
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Jonathan:

Thanks for your fine editorial, which we greatly appreciated. Here is the text.

You are more than half right about Boards of Directors, and of course about our Board too. But ordinarily about thirty members turn up. They come from all over the South. They are glad to see each other. They speak seriously and to the point. The Executive Committee and the staff of the Council faithfully pay mind to what the Board lays down. I think myself that the Board members have in mind, when they come together, that the Council is a meeting ground of both races and of people pushing progress at varying rates of speed, but a meeting ground at which by established custom people are honest, don't show off, do plan temperately for getting useful things done.

I am taking literally the phrases in your letter about coming on the Board if either Barry Bingham or Mark Ethridge does also. Bingham has written us that he can't, but I have reason to think that Ethridge will. I will write you the outcome.

I will be through Raleigh early in January, and will hope to catch you in town.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

The News and Observer
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

December 18, 1948

Dear George:

I would do anything in the world to help you in the fine work I know you are doing, but I am allergic to boards of directors which in no real sense direct, and you know perfectly well when you run a board of directors up to the number you have in your pamphlet, they are all set up as stuffed shirts out front, not directing, and they would not be able to direct if they wanted to. It looks to me as if you would have to have a meeting of your board of directors in an auditorium.

Having said so much, I will be glad to join Barry Bingham or Mark Ethridge, both or either of them, in joining the board if you really want me to, but I, quite frankly, think you would do better if you really had a board of directors who would work, and not a cross section of anybody who had ever said anything on the colored question in the South, from Clark Foreman to Bishop Penick.

I was very much interested in the news report of your statement on the decline in farm tenancy. I should like to see a full copy of that report. If one has come across my desk, I have missed it. I am enclosing an editorial I wrote on the basis of the news story.

Sincerely,

Jonathan

Jonathan Daniels

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December 9, 1948

Mr. Jonathan Daniels, Editor
The News and Observer
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Jonathan:

Our membership meeting unanimously elected you to the Board of Directors of the Council for a four-year term, 1948 - 1952.

I had had your letter saying that it was doubtful that you could serve. I can well understand that you have got a dickens of a lot of things on you, and may have more, but I still think that you could afford the one-day-a-year service to this show which your being on the Board would presumably entail. Anyhow, we pay you cash money to come to the Board meeting and to go home!

We really need you, and I do greatly hope you can write me that it is all right. Here is the list of the others (in the back part of this pamphlet). Ten of them we dropped, but we are asking on in their places such good eggs as you and Mark Ethridge and Barry Bingham and Clyde Milner and three or four more.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t
cc: Mrs. Agnes McKoy

THE NEWS AND OBSERVER
JONATHAN DANIELS
RALEIGH, N. C.

November 5, 1948

Dear George:

If your Nominating Committee should decide to elect me a director of the Southern Regional Council, I don't know whether I could accept, because I already have more obligations hung around my neck than I can do justice to. You know how sympathetic I am with your work, but I have a real problem of trying to keep from spreading myself so thin that I am not useful anywhere.

I know you are as delighted as I am with the results last Tuesday.

With best wishes always,

Sincerely,

Jonathan Daniels
E.W.

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November 2, 1948

Mr. Jonathan Daniels, Editor
The News and Observer
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Jonathan:

The Council has its annual membership meeting November 10, here in Atlanta. Of those members of the Board of Directors of the Council whose terms will be up this year, it is probable that six or seven will not be reelected and we will, therefore, have a total of seven or eight vacancies on the Board.

Several people have suggested that we ask you to come onto the Board. I have taken the liberty of sending your name to the standing nominating committee, and I should think it altogether probable that they will approve and that the membership will invite you November 10 to be on the Board. Incidentally, the first meeting of that new Board will be here in Atlanta the morning of November 11. We would greatly like to have you here for the membership meeting on the 10th and the Board meeting on the 11th. We pay expenses of the members of the Board and would so include you.

The enclosed little pamphlet has the list of present Board members. The others in North Carolina are Mrs. Ames, Dr. Alexander, President David Jones, Dr. Newbold, Dr. Odum, President Seabrook, Mr. Wheeler at Durham, and Dr. Trigg at Raleigh.

After all you have been doing here lately and at this short notice, I have only faint hopes that we could get you to Atlanta for the 10th and 11th of November, but we do hope you can write that you would be willing to come on the Board.

The Board really meets only once a year, though it generally meets twice in two days at the time of the annual meeting. So far as I know, it doesn't cost Board members anything.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t

SRC - Executive - Committee - Correspondence

May 5, 1949

Dear Paul:

We are getting worried about the letter for Monsignor McNamara.

The Silver Jubilee is "in May".

The letter is waiting signature from you, and we still have several Atlanta signatures to get.

Haste, and further directions.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

Mr. Paul D. Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond 22, Virginia

April 22, 1949

Mr. Paul D. Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond 22, Virginia

Dear Paul:

Here is the letter for Monsignor McNamara.

Please sign and return it to this office.
Stamps and a return label are attached.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t

April 14, 1949

President Harold L. Trigg
Saint Augustine's College
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Harold:

The Executive Committee decided, at the March 16 meeting, to write a letter to Monsignor McNamara about his Silver Jubilee in May. Will you please sign and return the one enclosed?

Stamps and a return label are attached.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t

April 11, 1949

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
University of North Carolina
Alumni Building
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Dear Guy:

Here is the letter to go from the Executive Committee to Monsignor McNamara.

Will you please sign the letter and return it to us? Stamps and a return label are enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t

April 4, 1949

Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Virginia Union University
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Dr. Hancock:

Here is the letter to go from the Executive Committee of the Council to Monsignor McNamara, on the occasion of his Silver Jubilee in May.

Will you please sign the letter and return it to this office? Stamps and a return label are enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Taylor

March 31, 1949

Mr. John H. Wheeler
Mechanics & Farmers Bank
116 West Parrish Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

We all missed you at the Executive Committee meeting, but understood the circumstances that kept you away.

It was decided to send Monsignor McNamara the good wishes of the Committee on the occasion of his Silver Jubilee in May. Will you please sign and return the enclosed letter?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t

March 28, 1949

Mr. Carter Wesley
The Houston Informer
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Wesley:

The enclosed letter is self-explanatory. We will appreciate your signing it and returning in the enclosed self-addressed envelope, so that we can send it along to the others.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:t

FISK UNIVERSITY

NASHVILLE 8, TENNESSEE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

March 24, 1949

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

I do not think I can improve on this very succinct and impressive letter. Herewith is my signature.

It was a real disappointment to have to miss the last Executive Committee meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Charles S. Johnson

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Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

The June 15th date for the meeting of the Executive Committee has apparently run into a snag, so I am offering some alternate dates to see whether or not we can get together on any one of them.

Would it be possible for you to be present on June 8, 13, 14, or 20th, and if so, do you have a preference among these dates?

To simplify this exchange of correspondence, won't you just check whichever of these dates you have open underscoring preferences, if any, and return this latter to us?

Sincerely yours,

Agnes McKoy

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary- Treasurer

AM:s

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ATLANTA, GEORGIA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 12, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

In reply to your letter of April 7 addressed to President Clement, he has requested me to inform you that June 15 is a convenient date for him to meet with the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council.

Yours very truly,

Marian N. Turner
Secretary

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Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Virginia Union University
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Dr. Hancock:

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22nd would suit even better

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Sincerely yours,

Agnes McKoy

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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Glad date changed from 15th. Could not have made it

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Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta 3, Georgia

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April 19, 1949.

Mrs. Agnes McKoy,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
63 Auburn Ave. N.E.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia.

My dear Mrs. McKoy:

Replying to your letter of April 5th, June 15th is agreeable with me for the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

Very truly yours,

Leonard Haas

Leonard Haas.

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1. June 8 best for me, as it comes between spring & summer quarters.
2. June 13
3. June 20
4. June 14

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Box 632
Chapel Hill, N. C.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHAPEL HILL

April 13, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

Thank you for your letter concerning the date for the June meeting of the Executive Committee. Of course, a Saturday date would be better for me but I can manage to come on any date that is suitable to the Chairman and the majority of the members of the Committee.

With all good wishes,

Cordially yours,

Guy B. Johnson

GUY B. JOHNSON
Research Professor

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Rt. Rev. Monsignor T. James McNamara
222 E. Harris Street
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Monsignor McNamara:

We are indeed sorry to have any meeting of our Executive Committee at a time when you cannot be present, and shall greatly miss your genial and always most helpful presence at the June meeting.

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist
RECTOR'S OFFICE
Savannah, Georgia

April 21, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.,
Atlanta, 3, Georgia.

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I have delayed answering your letter of April 7 in reference to an Executive Committee Meeting on June 15 hoping that my plans for June would take definite shape.

Now I find I will be out of the State for months of June and July. I am sorry because I dislike very much missing Committee meetings.

With greetings of the Easter Season,

Sincerely yours,

T. James McNamara

Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. James McNamara.

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May 11, 1949

Mr. Carter Wesley
P. O. Box 3086
Houston 1, Texas

Dear Mr. Wesley:

I do so appreciate your nice letter of the 21st and perhaps the reason I am not convinced is because I do not really wish to be.

Too, there are other angles which have since occurred to me and which none of us had apparently thought of before. Had you forgotten that you are really a vice President of the Council, and therefore an ex-officio member both of the Board and of the Executive Committee, not subject either to the term of Board membership set up for the former, or to any rules of tenure proposed for the latter ?

At any rate, no decision need be final at this point anyway, since action would not be taken until the time of the annual meeting.

I am enclosing your copy of the letter which is going out to all members of the Executive Committee.

All good wishes.

Cordially yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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cc to P. Williams
Dr. Mitchell

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Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

There wasn't the least particle of resentment on my part of the passage in the minutes, nor of any statement in Dr. Mitchell's letter. I have been to enough of those meetings to know that there is no ill-will on the part of anybody there toward me individually.

The passage in the minutes only served to make me aware of the fact that in staying on the Board I had been violating one of my own tenets. I have always felt that a person ought to serve when he gets on committees or boards, or he ought to get off and let somebody else get in.

There have been some extenuating circumstances in '48, but the truth is that they were not that severe that I should not have been able to have made a meeting within a 12-month period. When I say that I let the problems and the meetings of '48 overwhelm me, it indicates that I have not been able to handle all of the things that I have committed myself to.

The catch is that though my business is picking up again, I am still short of competent executive assistance, and that means that I am still tied in here more than I need to be with all of the outside commitments that I have let myself drift into. To complicate the matter, the Eastern has pulled off a lot of its flights, and it is really difficult now to get a decent flight to Atlanta without wasting 12 hours one way or the other. On the other hand, the train is practically impossible. These latter only complicate a situation that is not good at the best.

If I could say now, and be sure that I could live up to it, that I would attend the next Board meeting, I would withdraw my resignation on the

suggestion of Dr. Mitchell. But the truth is that I am just likely to get caught flat-footed by some other commitment or something to keep me from coming. That's why I think the resignation had better stand. I am not withdrawing from the Southern Regional Council, I shall remain a member, and I shall be planning to attend the next general meeting for the membership.

With many thanks to all of you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Carter Wesley

Carter Wesley

/d

cc: Dr. Paul D. Williams
Dr. George S. Mitchell

SRC Executive Committee Correspondence

May 11, 1949

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Forsyth Building
Atlanta 3, Georgia

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Atlanta, Georgia

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Georgia Farm Bureau

May 25, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McCoy, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McCoy:

As I said to you yesterday, my plans for June are so uncertain at the moment that I can not say on which of the several days you mention I would be able to attend a meeting of the executive committee. I hope you will just set the date and let me be there if I can.

Sincerely yours,

Josephine Wilkins
Administrator

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May
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Mr. George S. Mitchell
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta,
Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I hope I can fulfill my obligation of one hundred dollars to the Council before the thirtieth of June. I will telephone you about this in a few days.

He has taken this for a deadline!

Sincerely yours,

Benjamin E. Mays
President

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May 23, 1949

Dear Mr. Mays:

At the time of the annual meeting you very kindly thought you could find a hundred dollars for the Council sometime this year. Since we think of you, therefore, as one who will help in that generous way, I allow this letter to go out to you routinely, only as showing that the general membership is doing remarkably well on helping.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

Dr. Benjamin E. Mays
Morehouse College
Atlanta, Georgia

May 25, 1949

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

I am most regretful at being obliged to set a date for the meeting of the Executive Committee which you have indicated will not fit into your program. I pulled hard for the fourteenth for your sake, but only one other person beside yourself could make it on that date.

It now looks as though June 8 will have to be the date, and I do hope that your own plans may change in some way to make it possible for you to come after all. Keep it in mind, won't you?

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

May 25, 1949

Mr. C. H. Gillman
75 Ivy Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

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10:00 A. M., as usual, in the offices of the Council.

Cordially and sincerely,

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Secretary-Treasurer

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Richmond, Virginia

Dear Dr. Hancock:

I do so regret being obliged to set a date for the Executive Committee which you have indicated cannot be fitted into your own plans.

It looks as though June 8 will have to be the day since that is the date on which most of Executive Committee members can be present. Actually it is the only one of the dates offered on which it has been possible to get a quorum.

I do hope the situation will change for you and that you may find later on that you can make it on the 8th after all. We should miss you greatly if you were not here.

Cordially and sincerely,

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Secretary-Treasurer

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Fisk University
Nashville 8, Tennessee

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St. Augustine's College
Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Dr. Trigg:

We are setting the date for the next meeting of the Executive Committee on Wednesday, June 8, as this appears to be the most likely date for everyone concerned.

We missed you greatly last time and do hope you can make it on this day. The hour is 10:00 A. M. as usual, and the place here, here in the Council offices.

That was a very fine order for manuals which you sent us a short while ago, in addition to those which you had already ordered. Hope you will have some good suggestions for us concerning it.

All good wishes and looking forward to seeing you.

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Secretary - Treasurer

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TO PROPOSED STATEMENT FOR SOUTHERN GOVERNORS MAILED

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Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Street, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I regret that I will be unable to attend the Executive Committee Meeting on June 8th.

I had previously planned to do so but since I wrote you last I have been notified of the Convention of the Telephone Workers Union in Chicago on June 7th and have been notified by the Director of the CIO to be present.

I sincerely regret this as I would like very much to attend the meeting.

Sincerely,

C H Gillman

C. H. Gillman
State Director

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PAUL D. WILLIAMS, RICHMOND
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May 11, 1949

Mr. Paul D. Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond 22, Virginia

Dear Mr. Williams:

I have written Dr. Johnson to see what other dates would be possible for him to attend a meeting of the Executive Committee during June, and his secretary has given me a list of four alternative dates.

Would it be possible for you to be present on June 8th, 13th, 14th or 20th, and if so, do you have a preference among these dates?

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Sincerely yours,

Agnes McKoy

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I can definitely make it on June 8. I can possibly make June 13 but cannot make 14 or 20. Let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

Paul D. Williams

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Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

In regard to your letter of April 7, 1949, this is to advise that June 15th will be an agreeable date as far as I am concerned and unless something unexpected comes up I will be present at this meeting.

With every good wish, I remain

Sincerely yours,

C. H. Gillman

C. H. Gillman
State Director

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FISK UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE 8, TENNESSEE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 30, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary-Treasurer
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63 Auburn Avenue N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

This is to confirm your letter about the date for the Executive Committee meeting at 10:00 on June 8.

I will be present and look forward to seeing you at that time.

Sincerely yours,

Charles S. Johnson

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 6, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I am sorry that the date of June 15 proved difficult for the next Executive Committee meeting.

At this writing June 8, 13 or 14, or 20 would be possible for Dr. Johnson. Perhaps you can get agreement on one of them.

Yours truly,

Rosemary Deyling

Rosemary Deyling
Secretary

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May 3, 1949

Miss Rosemary Deyling, Secretary
to Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Miss Deyling:

After receiving your letter on March 30, I have been querying other members of the Executive Committee as to whether they can attend an Executive Committee meeting on the 15th of June.

It now appears that the 15th of June is a very difficult day for Mr. Paul Williams. He can, however, make the 16th very nicely. Would this be a possible date for Dr. Johnson or, if not, would you suggest some alternate dates in June so that I may try to get agreement on one of them?

Thanks very much for your help.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

SRC exec. commit.
(Corresp)

April 7, 1949

Miss Rosemary Deyling, Secretary
Office of the President
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Miss Deyling:

Thank you so much for your letter of April 1 telling me of the June 15 opening on Dr. Johnson's calendar for the next Executive Committee meeting.

I shall begin correspondence at once with other members of the Committee in an attempt to clear this date and will let you hear from me just as soon as their replies are in. Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Sec.-Treas.
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

When Dr. Johnson received your kind letter inviting him to set the date for the June meeting of the Executive Committee, he asked his two secretaries to choose a date that he definitely could be free. After a great deal of discussion, we decided he should suggest to you June 17, and he did so in his letter of March 30. Now in his absence from the city we are embarrassed to find that June 17 had been set for an important United Negro College Fund meeting, with Dr. Johnson's approval. This matter has only this moment come to light and the date was not on our calendars when Dr. Johnson wrote to you on the thirtieth. We are suggesting June 15 as the date for the Executive Committee meeting, with an assurance that we will not find it necessary to alter this suggestion.

Yours truly,

Rosemary Deyling

Rosemary Deyling
Secretary

FISK UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE 8, TENNESSEE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

March 30, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I appreciate the extreme consideration shown by my fellow-members of the Executive Committee in asking me to set the date for the June meeting. This intensifies my regret at not being able to make the recent meeting -- and my determination to make the next one. I suggest Friday, June 17, as the date if it is open for other members of the committee.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Charles S. Johnson
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Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

With reference to your notice of the meeting on the 8th, I now plan to come out for the meeting.

The best schedule will require that I get into Atlanta at 7:53 P. M. and spend the night there. Does Atlanta University still permit guests to stay there for pay as they used to? If so, I'd appreciate it if you would make arrangements for me to stay there for the night. I am perfectly willing to pay, but I'd hate to have to scrummage around for some of the rooming houses or poor hotels in Atlanta, and would prefer to pay for the type of accomodations that I used to get at Atlanta University. I hope this is not too much of a burden.

If anything happens to throw me off schedule, I'll undertake to wire you.

Very truly yours,

Carter Wesley

/d

cc: Dr. George S. Mitchell

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May 14, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

Thanks for yours of May 11 and the inclosure of the letter to the Executive Committee members, asking for their choice of dates in June. The 13th and 14th are out for me, as I am due in Washington that week for a Publishers meeting. If the 8th or the 20th happens to be accepted, I will try my best to make the meeting to say what I have been writing, and to make up some for the seeming disinclination to come.

With every good wish, I am

Very truly yours,

Carter Wesley

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63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

May 10, 1949

Mr. Carter Wesley
P. O. Box 3086
Houston 1, Texas

Dear Mr. Wesley:

The June 15th date for the meeting of the Executive Committee has apparently run into a snag, so I am offering some alternate dates to see whether or not we can get together on any one of them.

Would it be possible for you to be present on June 8th, 13th, 14th or 20th, and if so, do you have a preference among these dates?

To simplify this exchange of correspondence, won't you just check whichever of these dates you have open, underscoring preferences, if any, and return this letter to us?

Sincerely yours,

Agnes McKoy

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

June 16, 1949

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

We missed you greatly at the meeting of the Executive Committee on the 16th.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 31st and as this will be a most important meeting won't you please circle that date now on your calendar, if it is not already promised elsewhere? Won't you let me know whether or not we may expect you?

Minutes of the meeting will be sent out soon. Meanwhile, with all good wishes, I am

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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P.S. Dictated but not read.

SRC - Exec. Committee
Correspondence

June 16, 1949

Mr. C. H. Gillman
75 Ivy Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Gillman:

We missed you greatly at the meeting of the Executive Committee on the 16th.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 31st and as this will be a most important meeting won't you please circle that date now on your calendar, if it is not already promised elsewhere? Won't you let me know whether or not we may expect you?

Minutes of the meeting will be sent out soon. Meanwhile, with all good wishes, I am

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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June 16, 1949

Dr. Gordon Hancock
Virginia Union University
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Dr. Hancock:

We missed you greatly at the meeting of the Executive Committee on the 16th.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 31st and as this will be a most important meeting won't you please circle that date now on your calendar, if it is not already promised elsewhere? Won't you let me know whether or not we may expect you?

Minutes of the meeting will be sent out soon. Meanwhile, with all good wishes, I am

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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June 16, 1949

Dr. Charles S. Johnson, President
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Johnson:

We were delighted that you could be with us on the 16th and want to remind you now to circle that date for the next meeting, the 31st of August.

With all good wishes, I am

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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June 16, 1949

Dr. Harold L. Trigg
St. Augustine's College
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Trigg:

We missed you greatly at the meeting of the Executive Committee on the 16th.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 31st and as this will be a most important meeting won't you please circle that date now on your calendar, if it is not already promised elsewhere? Won't you let me know whether or not we may expect you?

Minutes of the meeting will be sent out soon. Meanwhile, with all good wishes, I am

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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June 16, 1949

Mr. John H. Wheeler
Box 1932
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

We were delighted that you could be with us on the 16th, and wat to remind you to circle on your calendar the 31st of August, our next meeting date, you remember.

I, too, thought the meeting a good one, and feel confident that with such a committee and such spirit our troubles can surely be resolved.

With all good wishes for you, I am

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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P. S. Dictated but not read.

June 17, 1949

Mr. Carter Wesley
P. O. Box 3086
Houston 1, Texas

Dear Mr. Wesley:

We were delighted that you could be with us on the 16th. Yours was a strong and most helpful presence, and we were the better for having it.

Since you did not send in the amount of your expenses when you wrote, I am enclosing our regular form, although , we do accept such statements in any form in which they happen to be sent in.

Don't forget to circle the 31st of August on your calendar for the next meeting.

Cordially and sincerely,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:we

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SRC-Executive Committee Correspondence

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHAPEL HILL

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY
AND ANTHROPOLOGY

July 5, 1949

Dear George:

I have been on the run so constantly that I have had to neglect my letters. I am sorry, because I should have got the note concerning standing good for $500 on the SRC borrowing back to you in a hurry. Here it is enclosed.

Also enclosed is my expense account for the June 8 meeting. It is something I hate to submit, and if it will help any there to hold up payment a while, that's o.k. with me.

I had a letter from young Max Gardner a few days ago. He said that his mother, who is president of the Foundation, is in Europe, and that his brother is in Washington; therefore they will not have another meeting of their Board until next fall. He will present our request at that time. I shall feed him some more material and keep in a prayerful attitude in the hope that they will grant at least $500.

It was good to see you and the other SRC friends at the meeting last month, and especially good to enjoy the hospitality of your home that evening. Special greetings to Alice, with thanks for fine food and companionship.

2 Enclosures

Sincerely,

Guy

Guy B. Johnson

Dr. George S. Mitchell
SRC...63 Auburn Ave.
Atlanta, Ga.

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July 7, 1949

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
The University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, N. C.

Dear Guy:

Thanks a lot for letter standing good for $500. I do hope that you can later on be successful with your efforts to Max Gardner.

Mrs. McKoy will send you a check in a day or two for expenses. We are not so pressed that we begrudge in the least payment for the expenses incurred when you and others take time and energy to help us.

We are faring very famously with the article by Carter in Colliers, by Vorse in Harper's, and the grand write-up in the last Sunday's New York Times on the statement of the executive committee to the Governors.

I see from CIO sources that the Pembroke folks now have a CIO.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:wgd

July 28, 1949

MEMO TO FILES:

Following receipt of the attached correspondence, and after discussion with GSM, I went out to Atlanta University for a personal conference with Dr. Forrester Washington.

Dr. Washington was unaware of Mrs. Spearman's resignation as executive secretary of the South Carolina Division and of the illness and other heavy home responsibilities which had made this resignation necessary. His suggestion that Mrs. Spearman replace him as chairman had been based on assumption that she would be able to give more time to the chairmanship than he, and he readily consented to continue in the chairmanship. I think he was glad too, to know that this office had warmly approved his choice in the first place.

AGNES MCKOY

AM;we

SRC Board of Directors
Correspondence

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK
247 HENRY STREET, S.W.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

FORRESTER B. WASHINGTON
DIRECTOR

June 11, 1949.

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Mr. George Mitchell, Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

Recently, I received a communication, a copy of which you will find enclosed, from Mrs. Eugene Spearman, regarding the charimanship of the Nominating Committee of the Southern Regional Council. Later I received a letter from Mrs. McKoy which you will also find enclosed indicating that Mrs. Spearman has written her asking whether or not I have accepted the chairmanship of the Nominating Committee.

I had assumed, of course, that my response to the request of the Executive Committee to attend the latter portion of its last meeting and the conference arranged for me by you with Mr. Paul Williams and Mr. John Griffin concerning the functioning of the Nominating Committee implied that everyone understood I had accepted the chairmanship.

Since Mrs. Spearman has shown such a deep interest in the Nominating Committee, I should like to take this opportunity to resign from the chairmanship of the Nominating Committee as well as from the Committee, and to suggest that Mrs. Spearman be appointed in my place as chairman. I write this in all sincerity. Mrs. Spearman knows many more important people who should be interested in the work of the Southern Regional Conference than I do. She is working more closely at the "grass roots" of the organization, has more time to give than I, and generally, has much more to give to the Council than I.

Very sincerely yours,

Forrester B. Washington

Forrester B. Washington
Director.

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COPY

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, NE
Atlanta 3, Georgia

May 11, 1949

Dr. Errester B. Washington, Director
Atlanta University School of Social Work
Henry Street
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. Washington:

Mrs. Alice Spearman has written to ask me whether or not you ever accepted the chairmanship of the Nominating Committee of the Board for bringing in nominations to the Executive Committee.

Although I have no formal letter from you on file stating your acceptance of this chairmanship, there had been no question in my own mind that you had been good enough to accept, since you were here with the Executive Committee at its last meeting on March 16, and I had received no information to the contrary.

Since she has raised this question, won't you please, therefore, drop her a note with copy to me - for the record! Thank you so much. We do count on having you in this post.

Cordially yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

COPY

(Undated)

Dear Dr. Washington:

I have accepted appointment on the nominating committee to bring in nominations for the Board, of which I hope you have accepted the chairmanship. Since there are 4 states represented on this committee, I shall be glad to contact North Carolina and Tenn. which are not rep. for their suggestions, bring them from S. C., and some suggestions as to "Southerners-at-large," if this meets with your approval. My time is very limited; I don't want us to come up at the last minute as we did last year; so, you won't think me presumptuous, pleas! May I hear from you soon?

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Alice N. Spearman
Mrs. Euguene H. Spearman

COPY OF WASHINGTON'S LETTER TO BE ENCLOSED

Rough draft
6/15/49

Dear Mrs. Spearman:

Mrs. McKoy sent on to Dr. Washington your letter asking whether Mr. Washington had accepted the chairmanship of the nominating committee. He has now written back, June 11, as enclosed.

I am delighted that you ~~are having~~ have the committee on your conscience and are preparing to make it active and effective.

I suppose we have no alternative but to propose to the Executive Committee at its meeting August 31, 1949, that Dr. Washington's resignation as chairman be accepted. That Committee can then proceed to pick a new chairman.

Meanwhile, here is the long-promised biographical material about present members of the Executive Committee. I have sent copies of this biographical information to the other members of the nominating committee as follows:

Mr. John A. Griffin
Director of Community Education
Emory University
Georgia

Miss Florence Sytz
School of Social Work
Tulane University
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dr. Luther P. Jackson
Virginia State College
Petersburg, Virginia

I do hope you will correspond with the other members and work the ground for whatever nominations the committee may wish.

Members of the Executive Committee serve at the pleasure of the Board. The governing clauses from the by-laws are:

(to be supplied by Mrs. McKoy--MET)

Sincerely,

GSM

cc: Mrs. Eugene Spearman

ROUGH DRAFT
6/15/49

Dr. Forrester B. Washington

Dear Forrester:

I don't think your decision to resign from the chairmanship of the nominating committee and from the committee, but I assume that the Executive Committee, when it meets on August 31, will perforce agree to it.

I will lay your letter before them at that time and they can act on that, and also your recommendation of Mrs. Spearman as chairman.

I am writing Mrs. Spearman, as enclosed.

You have been and are a good friend straight along.

Sincerely,

GSM

August 18, 1949

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outdated - new List made
March 21, 1950
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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Executive Committee

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Mr. C. H. Gillman
75 Ivy Street, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Virginia Union University
Richmond, Virginia

Dr. Charles S. Johnson, President
Fisk University
Nashville 8, Tennessee

Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. James McNamara
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Box 1932
Durham, North Carolina

Dr. Harold L. Trigg
St. Augustine's College
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Box 652
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Some of these are ex-officio - ~~don't know which ones~~

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Sou. Regional Council
63 Auburn Ave.
Atlanta, Ga.

Marion A. Wright
Linville Falls, N.C.

SRC - Executive Committee
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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

August 25, 1949

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Quorum probable though we would greatly miss you.

George S. Mitchell

August 29, 1949

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville 8, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Johnson:

We will miss you greatly for the meeting August 31, but I quite understand that your unavoidable other engagement, may, in the long run, be a more rewarding enterprise for all concerned.

Thank you deeply for sending out the additional letters. I feel sure that they will bring a gratifying response.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:wgd

SRC - Executive Committee Correspondence

FISK UNIVERSITY

NASHVILLE 8, TENNESSEE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

August 27th, 1949

Dr. George Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George Mitchell:

I sent you a wire with a deep feeling of discomfort because I was in a very confusing dilemma over my schedule. I counted, of course, on attending the meeting of the Executive Committee on the 31st and have had it for some time on my calendar. There was another meeting connected with International Congregationalism that had been crystallizing but without a specific date for my part in it. Because of the nature of this meeting and the long range negotiations, I found it more difficult to handle my part in it although I must say that I tried very seriously to do so. This means spending two days up in Maine at the very end of this month.

In this same general vicinity but not quite as urgent, is a meeting of industrialists who are giving some attention to Education. I have worked with Labor and am interested in exchanging some views with a somewhat less familiar group.

While the first has to do with the Church organization with which my institution has been connected, the second may, I say speculatively, yield a few acquaintances who might have their attention directed to some of our common concerns.

Meanwhile, I am sending out a new batch of individual letters to persons whom I am trying to interest in the work of the Southern Regional Council to the extent of sending in a modest contribution. This week I have sent out about two hundred letters to persons suspected of being potential friends inasmuch as they have expressed an interest in the Monthly Summary of Events and Trends in Race Relations and some aspects of our Race Relations Institute. Most of these are southernors or persons who live in the South or in the border states. My list may overlap your own but perhaps it will not hurt to have a letter go out from a source other than your office by way of reinforcing the appeal for funds.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

Charles S. Johnson

CSJ/rldw

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AUG 29 1949
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To the Board Members

This, we have sent out, as you will see, to the heads of each state committee.

Please do what you can yourself to get the pamphlet widely known and read.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

SRC - Board of Directors
Correspondence

PAUL D. WILLIAMS, RICHMOND
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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

September 20, 1949

To the Heads of all State Divisions and Affiliated Interracial Committees

Dear Sir:

Here is a chance to get something effective rolling in many communities.

The new pamphlet Race in the News will go to all Council members in a few days time. Meanwhile, here is a copy for you.

A good many Southern newspapers in the last several years have been doing a lot better on coverage and handling of news about Negroes. This pamphlet gives a way to speed and focus a movement already started within the press of the South.

The Southern Newspaper Publishers Association is sending a copy to each of its members. That makes it certain that newspaper offices will have it. They can use it on copy editors' desks as a manual, and they can use it as a teaching document for reporters and other staff persons.

In the hands of interested newspaper readers, you can see that the pamphlet will provide, for the first time, a standard against which day to day handling by the papers can be checked.

Quite the best device will be for local committees, preferably drawn from both races, to visit newspaper officials and ask for whatever change in the direction of the pamphlet the papers can arrange.

We can not, directly from this office, get that done. You can.

Please consider carefully how best to do it in your own state. One thing we greatly hope for is that you will reach out to responsible church bodies in your state and get their cooperation in the

follow-up with the papers. The church women know about it through the meetings last week here in Atlanta. If you can, you should arrange to have appropriate people interview the heads of the various religious denominations in your state and ask for their cooperation. Local churches or local councils of ministers or of church people could and should make this effort a project. It will do a lot of good, and there is little likelihood that any one's special sensibility will be brought to the fore.

Many other kinds of civic groups might well be brought to take an interest in speeding this movement.

The Council can supply more copies of Race in the News at fifteen cents each.

Will you be good enough to write me what you plan to do?

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:wgd

Enclosure

Mrs C.B. Smith

Correspondence of October 9, 1950 the same as that of Caroline Gillespie--copy under Gillespie.

Board of Directors

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
818 South Sixth Street
Louisville, Kentucky
26 September 1949

Mrs. C.B.Smith
The Methodist Parsonage
Donnelson, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Smith:

During August you received a notice of expiration dates of directors on the Board of the Southern Regioanl Council from the Atlanta office. I am hoping you have had time to give due consideration to possible nominees for these vacancies as reported by Mrs Agnes McKoy.

I think the work of the Council is of sufficient import to warrant the attention of influential Southerners who may not have time, but who WILL TAKE TIME, to share their busy lives with us in the program proposed by the Council. We shall have to make an effort to get that thought across to those we name for the Board and try to influence them to accept the responsibility we urge upon them, if and when they agree to serve the organization.

With this in mind will you let me know in the near future if you have names to submit to the nominating committee - of have friends of yours to submit names - in order that we may circulate all the names referred to this committee to each member and prepared to submit the list - with perhaps a short biographical sketch on each - to the Council when it meets November 9th in Atlanta.

Thanking you for your interest, and hoping to hear from you at an early date, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. C.Milton Young
Chairman
Committee on Nominations
For Board Membership

March 30, 1949

Mrs. C. B. Smith
The Methodist Parsonage
Donelson, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Smith:

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee, a standing Nominating Committee of the membership for bringing in nominations for vacancies on the Board of Directors, was named by the Committee.

Mrs. Hortense Young, of the Louisville Defender, 418 S. 5th St., Louisville, Kentucky was chosen as Chairman of this Committee, and other members named were yourself, Mr. Cyrus M. Johnson, 336 Salisbury St., Raleigh, N. C., Dr. E. B. Perry, Rms.223-224, Pilgrim Building, Houston 3, Texas and Mrs. Ruby S. Lyells, 116 Montgomery St. Jackson, Mississippi.

I do hope you will find it possible to serve. This is an important Committee and your choise by the Executive Committee is an expression of their great esteem and confidence. Won't you let me hear from You?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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Smith, Mrs. C. B

March 2, 1949

Mrs. C. B. Smith
% Methodist Parsonage
Donelson, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Smith:

I don't recall whether I thanked you for the names which you sent us awhile ago, to be invited to become members of the Council.

If I haven't, I do want to thank you now and to tell you that we have written all of them and have invited them to become members.

We are always so appreciative of having these good names sent in to us for cultivation. Thank you so very much.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

October 19, 1948

Mrs. C. B. Smith
% The Methodist Parsonage
Donelson, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Smith:

Please accept and convey to your society our very warm thanks for their check in the amount of $25.00 given towards the work of the Council. Such gifts mean a great deal to us, and we are grateful too, for the evidence it gives us of your interest.

Cordially and sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

Enclosed check for $25.00 - gift from Tennessee Conference, Woman's Society of Christian Service —

Please acknowledge receipt to Mrs. C. B. Smith
c/o Methodist Parsonage
Donelson, Tenn

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Can you answer whether Margaret sent invitations to these? If she did not please write them to membership returning list to me.

M. C. K.

Received
Invitations
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M.P.

Please, send blanks for membership to Southern Regional Council to the following —

✓ Mrs. Alvin M. Boone
220 Marion St.
Clarksville, Tennessee

Mrs. W. R. Morton
✓ 1023 Fair St.
Franklin, Tennessee

Mrs. Charles McDonald
✓ R#3
Gallatin, Tennessee

✓ Mrs. J. P. Sloan
Jamestown, Tennessee

✓ Mrs. Ed Russell
Centerville, Tennessee

✓ Mrs. D. L. Davies
McMinnville, Tennessee

Mrs. Fred B. Smith
✓ 832 Clayton Ave.
Nashville, Tennessee

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These are my seven District Sec. of Christian Social Relations and I have asked each District to make their Sec. a member of S.R.C. Thanks for your trouble

Sincerely yours,
(Mrs. C. B.) Henrietta Smith
Donelson, Tennessee
% Methodist Parsonage.

34 Smith — Mrs. C.
Smith — Mrs. C.B.

September 8, 1948

Mrs. C. B. Smith, Secretary
Division of Christian Social Relations
of the Tennessee Conference,
Woman's Society of Christian Service
Route 4
Donelson, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Smith:

When I wrote you under date of August 6, addressing my letter to Clarksville, Tennessee, I did not then realize that you were the same as our Mrs. C. B. Smith who had recently taken over the Treasureship of the Tennessee Division of the Southern Regional Council.

My letter of August 6 dealt with a renewal of the $25.00 gift which the Tennessee Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Division of Christian Social Relations had made to us last year. Since I have not had a reply, I doubt that this letter ever reached you, addressed as it was to Clarksville. We should be most grateful if this gift of $25.00 could be renewed, and shall greatly appreciate your own good offices in securing such a renewal. With so slender a budget as we have, such gifts mean a great deal to us.

Cordially and sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

AM:s

August 6, 1948

Mrs. C. B. Smith, Secretary
Division of Christian Social Relations
of the Tennessee Conference
Route 4
~~Clarksville~~, Tennessee
Donelson

Dear Mrs. Smith:

About this time last year your Society was good enough to make a donation of twenty-five dollars for the work of the Southern Regional Council.

Such gifts as that of the Tennessee Conference mean much to us, operating on so slender a budget as we do, and we are extremely hopeful that the gift may be renewed for the current year.

May we count on your own good offices to this end?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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August 26, 1947

Mrs. C. B. Smith, Secretary
Christian Social Relations of the Tennessee Conference
Route 4,
Clarksville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Smith:

Thank you so much for your check of $25.00 which you sent on behalf of your Division of Christian Social Relations of the Tennessee Conference. . This gift means much to us, not only because it will help to further the work of the Council, but also because it evidences the interest of your Division in this vital field of endeavor. We are very grateful to both you and the Division.

Because we want you to know more about what the Council is, and what it does to further social and economic well-being in our Southern region, we are going to enter, for the coming year, A complimentary subscription to our publication, New South for your Division of Christian Social Relations, which will come to you at your address. We hope you will pass on to us any suggestions you may have for increasing the effectiveness of our work.

With every good wish, and many thanks again, Iam

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

SRL- Exec. Cttee - Correspondence

October 17, 1949

Miss Josephine Wilkins
Biltmore Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Josephine:

You may recall that at the June executive committee meeting you suggested that the Council get out some attractive promotion material to further sale of our pamphlets.

The enclosed leaflet is the result of that suggestion. I hope it does justice to the idea, which was an excellent one.

Warmest regards,

Harold C. Fleming
Director of Information

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SRC - Bd. of Dirs. - Correspondence

October 18, 1949
Dict. October 17

Rabbi Charles Mantinband
206 North Wood Avenue
Florence, Alabama

Dear Rabbi Mantinband:

I greatly appreciate your letter of October 12. I have had a good many letters from dignitaries who said the usual "I look forward to reading the pamphlet". You were kind enough to say you had read it with care and interest. Furthermore, I can see that you have inquired about your three cities extensively. To so good a user, here is a reward of five extra copies.

I am glad you are to be at Talladega with Mr. Beittel. The Alabama Division needs strengthening in many ways. It needs more members, but mainly it needs more program and more action.

A search of our records indicates that you are the lone SRC member in the Tri-Cities. So the field is open for your efforts!

The next meeting of the membership is the annual meeting that comes up November 9. I assume that the nominations committee will then place your name before the membership for election to the Board. We are most anxious to have you thus ceremoniously, and delighted that we have had straight along your friendly interest.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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TRI-CITIES JEWISH CONGREGATION

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206 NORTH WOOD AVE.
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October 12, 1949

Southern Regional Council,
63 Auburn Avenue N.E.,
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Attention: George S. Mitchel l

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Your brochure "Race In the News" has come, which I have read with care and interest. I know that it was also received by the local press and gone through rather thoroughly. For a long time I have been conferring with the editors along these identical lines. If you can spare one or two additional copies, I can use them to good advantage.

It will interest you to know that the Jewish Chautauqua Society is sending me to Talledega College for two days, November 13 and 14th; I shall hold forth at Sunday chapel and a Monday assembly, and probably teach a number of classes. It will be good to make friends with President Beitel, and to learn how we can strengthen the Southern Regional Council in Northern Alabama. Any suggestions?

Incidentally, I should be glad to receive from you in writing, word about my being on the Board of Directors if it is already official. I should then try to justify the appointment by interesting some of my neighbors. You might advise whether any memberships have come in from the Tri-Cities.

With all good wishes, I am

Yours sincerely,

C. Mantinband

Charles Mantinband

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Southern Regional Council
ROOM 432, 63 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

A Council to attain, through research and action, the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South.

October 28, 1949

Dear Board Member:

As you no doubt are aware I have been working with Dr. Mitchell for a short time trying to secure some money for the Southern Regional Council.

Enclosed you will find a copy of what might be called a temporary outline of a campaign plan or method of procedure. This is nothing perfect but does furnish something written down as to the proposed procedure. Will you please read it over and make any suggestions or any criticisms that you wish? I shall not feel bad.

You will note that our immediate objective is to finish up the campaign which was started last spring to collect $250.00 from selected individuals. So far only about 20 have sent in their checks. This whole matter should be cleared by November 20 -- certainly not later than November 30.

We do not have in the office a sizeable list of able givers. Would you, therefore, please make up a list of ten or more selected names whom you think might be willing to give some money if properly approached. Please mention in connection with these names any special reason why you think they would be willing to give and any particular information as to whom you think might be best to call on them, etc. If they have lately given in a large measure to any particular cause, please mention. Be assured that any names you send in will be held in confidence and an organized approach will be made at the proper time and by the proper people.

I hope these lists will be all in the office by the November 8 Board meeting.

Hoping to meet you personally and to have your full cooperation, I remain

Yours very truly,

Thomas F. Byrd

Thomas F. Byrd

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Southern Regional Council
October 28, 1949

FUND-RAISING EFFORT

On the basis of work already done in the past few years, it seems the Southern Regional Council merits general support from the public at large and organized philanthropy.

How to make the public conscious of the work done and how to present it to the public and philanthropic organizations so as to get money, it appears, is the immediate task of every one of its officers, Board of Directors, members, and friends. To this end a suggested procedure is somewhat loosely outlined below.

A. SOURCES OF EXPECTED SUPPORT

1. Membership of the Council
2. Far-seeing, public-spirited citizens and friends
3. Specially selected individuals in the higher income brackets
4. National church groups
5. Special groups, societies, and associations.
6. Business and manufacturing firms in the South
7. Foundations

B. NEEDS OF THE COUNCIL

1. Immediate needs, which includes money to pay salaries, rent, general office expenses, and publications.
2. Needs for the year 1950. These needs should be included in a carefully thought out budget to cover the year (1) to at least keep the Council at its present level of activities and (2) to do a real job of intensified work.
3. Ultimate needs. An assured budget for a period of years sufficient to do a job that is really worthwhile in the southern section of the country.

C. MONEY FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS: HOW SECURED

1. Follow up immediately and complete the effort already launched to secure $250 from a selected list of 100 individuals. (Only 20 have responded.)

2. Double this list of 100 prospects and contact them as soon as possible. This job should be done by personal calls by the members of the Board of Directors, the officers, or by those who submitted the names. They should be assisted by Mr. Byrd, Dr. Mitchell, Mrs. Tilly, Mrs. Havens, Mr. Williams, and other interested people. In no sense of the word should they be written to and solicited through the mail again. It should be stressed in the interviews that it is absolutely necessary to have contributions if this Council is to stay alive and properly function in the future.

3. A special effort should be made to double the membership in the next six months. This, of course, is not a great source of financial income but it is necessary to keep the work of the Council before the people.

D. MONEY FOR 1950 NEEDS: HOW SECURED

1. From annual gifts of those who have subscribed $250 this year. They should in some way be interested to the extent that they would make this an annual offering.

2. National church bodies should be contacted and induced to make subscriptions and gifts from their annual budgets -- such as Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Congregationalists, etc.

3. Societies and groups should be sought out and asked to make donations from their treasuries.

4. Business and manufacturing groups, especially those manufacturers who own plants in the South and who live in the West or East. They should be asked to make grants from their treasuries.

ULTIMATE NEEDS

Foundations: A large selected list of foundations should be carefully compiled and an organized approach made to them for a commitment over a number of years. It appears that the Council has entre to a number of these through some of its members. This is a fine prospective source that must be handled with a great deal of delicacy and planning, and with information to be submitted at the proper time, by the proper people.

Individuals: Individuals with high income should be approached by certain people to make yearly donations over a period of years, or to give a large amount in a lump sum.

Publicity

The Council has a large amount of bulletins and pamphlets covering the whole field of its activities. It may be necessary, however, to get up some very inexpensive pamphlets to be given away in large quantities where it might be expected small amounts of money could be secured. This kind of material might serve also to get the work and the need of the Council into the conscience of a large number of people throughout the South. This is not the kind of an effort which lends itself to wide publicity in the press, except in a very general way. All of this that could be had, of course, would be all to the good.

Organization

It does not appear that too much organization will be needed at this stage of our effort to secure money. The state organizations and the membership and officers of the Council, with some additions, might be all we would need at this particular time.

Time of This Special Work

It is hard to separate and imagine any specific dates, as this whole program will naturally be tied into and worked as we go along. However, the immediate need section should be completed as soon as possible. Perhaps we should make a drive to have all the present prospects of $250 disposed of by the 15th of November. This work could be continued right along with the additional $250 prospects. Time, then, could be devoted to clarifying/organizing approach for larger sums. Future outlines will be made after immediate needs have been taken care of.

Thomas F. Byrd

Ex Comm.

October 28, 1949

Dr. Forrester B. Washington, Director
Atlanta University School of Social Work
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Forrester:

You very kindly agreed to serve as chairman of the nominating committee to propose to the Board of SRC suitable persons to be elected by the Board to its Executive Committee.

You have the present membership of the Executive Committee.

Paul Williams and I had opportunity to discuss some weeks ago those who might be suitable to be considered. We thought of the following:

Florence Sytz, whom you know well. On Board till 1952.

Marion Wright, Linville Falls, N. C. Class of '49, subject to reelection till '53. Age 55 or so, lawyer in Conway, S. C. for a good many years. Now retired, and living in the N. C. mountains. Some slight health handicap, but quite able to be active. Graduate of U. of S. C., long a devoted worker to this cause, for some years the very effective head of the South Carolina Division. Author of the attached, which will show his quality.

Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton, whom you know, of course. She is a member of the Board, class of 1951.

The entire executive committee serves only at the pleasure of the Board, and your committee is entirely at liberty to recommend as much replacement as it may deem desirable. It has in any case one clear vacancy, created

through the proposed by-law changes which will make the position of General Counsel (held by Leonard Haas) carry ex-officio membership in the Executive Committee.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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October 31, 1949

Mr. Clark Foreman, Director
National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions
49 West 44th Street
New York 18, New York

Dear Clark:

We are sorry to lose a member of our Board. But I think you are right that if you are to be in New York, somebody with full title to a southern address ought to be in your place.

We are having a hard struggle, but it looks like we can keep on going.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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cc: Paul D. Williams

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October 28, 1949

Dr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

Since taking over the directorship of the ASP, I have moved my residence from Washington to New York. Inasmuch as I no longer have either legal or actual residence in the south, I believe I do not qualify as a member of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council. I will therefore not attend the annual meeting on November 9, and am notifying you of my resignation in advance so that you may be prepared to fill my place.

Wishing you and the Council everything good in the work which you are doing, I am

Yours sincerely,

Clark

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Mrs. James S. Crate, Pres.,
Texas Commission on Interracial Coop'n
2410 Inwood Drive
Houston 19, Tex.

Dear Mrs. Crate:

Ex-officio members of our Board are endowed with all "rights and privileges" and you are indeed entitled to attend the Board and annual meetings at Council expense. Moreover, we greatly look forward to seeing you and having you with us.

We too enjoyed the recent conference of church women and were so glad you could be here.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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Oct. 24, 1949

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

Your letter of Oct. 13 has just arrived and since I am an ex-officio member of the Board I am wondering if I am to be included in this meeting, especially to the extent of having expenses paid.

I do not feel that I can request this of the Texas Commission as my travel expense this year has been rather heavy.

I certainly enjoyed the recent Conference of Church Women and have had the privilege of reporting concerning it at a number of Church Council meetings.

Kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Jas.) Margaret B. Crate.

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October 31, 1949

Mrs. Agnes McKoy, Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I have delayed acknowledging your letter of October 13, notifying me of the Board of Directors and Membership meetings which will be held on November 8 and 9, in the hope that I could advise you that I would be there. However, I now find that it is going to be impossible for me to attend on these dates.

I hope you have fine meetings and wish very much that I could be with you all.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Wilson M. Brown

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November 3, 1949

Rabbi Charles Mantinband
206 North Wood Avenue
Florence, Alabama

Dear Rabbi Mantinband:

Your letter inquiring about the program for the annual membership meeting next Wednesday, November 9, has reached the office during Dr. Mitchell's absence.

The morning session will be concerned mainly with "reports of progress" from the various states. President Paul Williams will speak, and Dr. Mitchell will present the proposed program for 1950. The afternoon will be devoted to discussion of the 1950 program and of finances. The meeting is scheduled to close at five o'clock, and there is no activity planned for the evening.

We all hope you will be successful in arranging things so you can attend.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Taylor

TRI-CITIES JEWISH CONGREGATION

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November 2, 1949

Southern Regional Council,
63 Auburn Avenue N.E.,
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Attention: Mr. George Mitchell

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I note that the annual membership meeting is Wednesday the 9th in Atlanta. Despite difficult travelling connections I am going to make a genuine effort to attend.

If there is a tentative program available, I should appreciate your sending it to me. My information is that the meeting begins at 9.30 in the Library building, of Atlanta University. What sessions are scheduled for the afternoon and evening? This is necessary information so that I may plan my return overnight connections.

Thanking you, I am

Yours sincerely,

C. Mantinband

Charles Mantinband

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November 4, 1949

AIR MAIL

Dr. C. H. Parrish
926 South 6th Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Dr. Parrish:

Mrs. McKoy is away from the office because of illness, so I am acknowledging your letter of November 1, with its welcome $25.00 check covering your pledge.

We are all delighted that you are planning to attend the Board meeting November 8. I have notified Atlanta University of your arrival around three a.m., and they are asking the night watchman to be on the lookout for you. You should go to the woman's dormitory of Atlanta University, 50 Chestnut Street SW.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Taylor

LOUISVILLE MUNICIPAL COLLEGE
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DIVISION OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

Nov. 1, 1949

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Mrs. Agnes McCoy
Southern Regional Council
Room 432 63 Auburn Ave N.E.
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Mrs McCoy:

I expect to attend the Board meetings at 11:00 A.M. Tuesday Nov. 8, and would like a room reservation at Atlanta University. My plane will arrive at 2:54 A.M. Tuesday - and if I cannot get to my room at that hour I would like to know in time to make other arrangements for that one night/or morning) (See my address below)

The check enclosed for $25.00 is in payment of the pledge I made last year. Sorry it is so late getting to you.

Very truly yours

C.H. Parrish

(C.H. PARRISH
926 So. 6th St.
Louisville Ky)

Ck for $25.00 with copy of this & # given to bookkeeper 11/4/49 MEJ

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:CHARLES S JOHNSON=

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We try to see to it that every message has its reply in the shortest possible time.

YOUR COOPERATION by sending your answer promptly will be very helpful.

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:SOUTHERN COUNCIL (IN ASSEMBLY) ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

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PRESIDENT

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE ATLANTA UNIVERSITY ATLA=

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THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

SRC- Bd of Dirs - Corresp.

November 11, 1949

Mr. G. D. Rogers
1416 North Boulevard
Tampa, Florida

Dear Mr. Rogers:

Here is a Council check for $64.00, for your travel expense this week. Our bookkeeper has "shaved it down" as you suggested. That was nice of you.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Taylor

SRC - Bd of Dirs - Corresp.

November 11, 1949

Dear Mr. Raper:

Here is the Council's check for $94.86, to cover your travel expense to Atlanta this week.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Taylor

Mr. Arthur Raper
Route 2, Box 72
Vienna, Virginia

enclosure

November 17, 1949

Dr. Glenn W. Rainey
120 - 3rd Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Rainey:

The Council's annual membership meeting on November 9, upon the recommendation of the nominating committee, elected you to the Board of Directors. The Board is composed of 72 persons, drawn from over the South and widely representative of the people of the region. It meets ordinarily once a year, with travel expenses paid. It rests the function of supervision of the staff of the Council upon the Board's Executive Committee, made up of seven persons plus the officers of the Council.

I enclose a list of the present Board members and of the thirteen persons elected the other day. Board membership is held for varying periods. The term to which you were elected expires in 1953.

I warmly hope that you can give us in this way the benefit of your advice and experience. This is a time when the thoughtful working together of southern people is more needed than ever.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

gsm/t
enclosures

November 18, 1949

Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames
The Wren's Nest
Tryon, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Ames:

I am sorry that you feel you must resign from the Council Board after the turn of the year.

Everyone is grateful for your own honored career of action in this field.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

gsm/t

cc: Mr. Paul D. Williams
Mrs. Agnes McKoy

11/21/49

GSM:

I have to throw back to you the matter of letters to Board Members.

I have written all the newly -elected people asking them to serve, except Cassandra Maxwell. Didn't write her because did not know length of term. You are to check with your notes for nom. committee -- which I believe you said you had given to Mrs. McKoy.

These three rough drafts are self-explanatory. I am leaving in your hands to turn over to Winona, with proper explanations.

Such as: the list of Board members whose terms expire in '49, those reelected and those who were not, needs to be clarified. I am attaching such information as I have. W. will need to know these for letter #2 and #3.

met

PS Copies of all the letters that I have written have been placed on Mrs. McKoy's desk.

11/21/49

1015 Wm Olivier

Elder

SRC - Bd. of Dirs. - Corresp.
#1

Terms expired in 1949, members in own right, also held ex-officio

Tydings, Mynders, Daniel

It so happened that the four-year term on the Board of Directors of the Council to which you were elected originally expires this year. The nominating committee which had the duty of bringing in names for additional members of the Board took note of the fact that as head of the _____ Division you were ex officio a member of the Board. ~~I think~~ Solely on that account your name was not ~~placed~~ put up for election to the possible second four-year term, but ~~[illegible]~~ advantage was taken of your ex officio membership to ~~make~~ yield a regular vacancy. Pro forma, therefore, I am duty bound to write you of the expiration of your regular term of office. This letter gives me the opportunity of expressing to you on behalf of the membership the very warmest appreciation of the fact that we shall continue to have you ex officio as a member of the Board.

I send a list of the new names added in the election the other day.

Sincerely,

GSM

OK

#2

Board members, expired in '49 and reelected

The Council has greatly valued you as one of its Board members during your first term, which term expires this year. I have the honor to inform you that at the membership meeting on November 9 you were reelected for a further four-year term. Under the by-laws we can't have anyone more than a total of eight years. It is a pleasure to us in the staff to know that we will continue to have the benefit of your advice and help.

Sincerely,

GSM

#3

Class of '49, non reelected

(Jackson, Henderson .....?)

The Council has benefited these last four years by your service as a member of its Board of Directors. The four-year term expires in November, 1949.

We are appreciative of your advice and aid during all this time. I am sure that in years to come we can continue to count upon your earnest good will in trying to achieve the goals of the Council.

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Rough Draft

BOARD INVITATIONS TO THOSE WHO HAVE NEVER SERVED

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Sincerely,

GSM

OK

11/21

GSM:

This is the letter to be sent

Cassandra Maxwell.

PAUL R. CHRISTOPHER
STATE DIRECTOR, TENNESSEE

PHONE 2-6780

SRC Board of Dir

Organizing Committee

216 FLATIRON BUILDING
KNOXVILLE 17, TENN.

GEORGE BALDANZI
NATIONAL DIRECTOR

JOHN V. RIFFE
ASST. NAT'L DIRECTOR

ORAL L. GARRISON
NAT'L SEC'Y-TREAS.

November 21, 1949

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 432, 63 Auburn Ave., N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear George:

Naturally I consider it an honor and an opportunity to have been elected a member of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council at the annual membership meeting on November 9.

However, I am not at all sure I should accept, because I have very serious doubts that I shall have the time or possess the ability to give to the Southern Regional Council the assistance and advice such a position entails. As you know, practically my entire time is necessarily devoted to organization work in the southern CIO drive, and no other commitment can interfere with this first obligation.

I am really torn between, so to speak. Our National Director, George Baldanzi, has authorized my acceptance. You know of my interest in the success and work of the Southern Regional Council, and I do not want to beg out of an opportunity to make some contribution, however insignificant. I hope you will let me think the matter over, and answer more definitely later.

Sincerely yours,

Paul R. Christopher

Paul R. Christopher
Tennessee Director

PRC:llr

CC: Folder for next meeting of Executive Committee & RC Board

Mem: corres

Folder Exec comm meeting

November 22, 1949

Dr. Forrester B. Washington
Atlanta University
School of Social Work
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Forrester:

On behalf of the Board, everyone's sincere thanks to you for taking on again this past year the job of chairman of the nominating committee of the Board. We appreciate also your steady attendance at the meetings.

I will recall that you have now done more than your duty in that capacity and shall propose that someone else get the job next year.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

gsm/t

November 22, '49

Mr. E. L. Abercrombie
203 Spring St., NW
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Abercrombie,

We wrote you the other day of your alection to the Board of Directors of SRC. We are hoping warmly that you can accept.

Meanwhile I am unclear from our carbons as to whether the term into which we notified you of election expired in 1952 or 1953. On checking our records we are clear that the term properly expires in 1953. I write this as a matter of record-keeping!

Do let us know that it is all right. We need the friendly interest that you can give us.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

November 17, 1949

Mr. E. L. Abercrombie
Southern Director
Laundry Workers International Union
203 Spring Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Abercrombie:

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I warmly hope that you can give us in this way the benefit of your advice and experience. This is a time when the thoughtful working together of southern people is more needed than ever.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY
HARTSVILLE, S. C.
Manufacturers of
PAPER CONES, TUBES, SPOOLS
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November 28,1949

Mr.George S.Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue,N.E.,
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr.Mitchell:

Thank you for your letter of November 17th. I shall be very pleased to serve on the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council. I probably however will not be able to attend many meetings so if at any time you would rather have someone who can be more active please elect him in my place.

Sincerely yours,

J. L. Coker

James L.Coker
President

C:B

November 17, 1949

Mr. James L. Coker
Sonoco Products Company
Hartsville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Coker:

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Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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December 2, 1949

Mr. Donald Comer
Chairman of Board
Avondale Mills
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Comer:

I greatly appreciate your letter of November 29.

We are most happy to have you and will be respectful of your wishes.

I do hope there can be a time in the near future when I can sit down and talk with you. I would greatly like to have your judgement on many matters.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:wgd

FOUNDED IN 1897 BY GOVERNOR B. B. COMER

OFFICERS
DONALD COMER
CHAIRMAN OF BOARD
B. B. COMER, JR.
CHM. FINANCE COMMITTEE
HUGH COMER
PRESIDENT & TREASURER
J. CRAIG SMITH
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT
W. A. TURNER
VICE PRESIDENT & GEN. SUPT.
J. E. WARREN
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A. F. MULLINS, JR.
VICE PRESIDENT & SECRETARY

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GENERAL OFFICES:
SYLACAUGA, ALA.
ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE COMPANY

Birmingham, Alabama
November 29, 1949

Mr. George S. Mitchell
Southern Regional Council, Inc
63 Auburn Avenue N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear George:

If you had asked me before you elected me, I would have declined the invitation to serve on your Board. You state, however, that the term expires in 1950 but you understand when it expires, I will not be available for re-election.

I have remained a member of the Council, and I have asked some of my friends, but it has not been because I entirely approve of the approach that the Council sponsors for the settling of some of our problems. When I realize your policies are set by a group with so many fine people in it, I have been glad to lend my membership.

I am sorry I missed you when you were here. Mrs. Comer and I were both in New York and nobody was at home. I will always remember the pleasant evening we had in our home when you and Mrs, Mitchell came for dinner with us and I would love for us to repeat that some time.

Very sincerely

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Southern Regional Council

November 17, 1949

Mr. Donald Comer
Avondale Mills
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Comer:

I spent the first three days of this week at Montevallo. On my way back through Birmingham yesterday evening I made my way up to your home, but found no one there, though that inviting living room did look currently lived in. I hadn't been able to reach you by 'phone for this or that difficulty at Montevallo. Haven't they changed your number from the one in the book?

I had wanted not only to have the pleasure of a brief visit with you, but to ask you in person to try very hard to add membership on our Board to the other things you do.

We sincerely want your advice.

Cordially,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

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enclosure

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Avondale Mills
Birmingham, Alabama

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Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

gsm/t

SRC-Board of Directors

December 6, 1949

Mr. J. W. Seabrook
State Teachers College
Fayetteville, N. C.

Dear Mr. Seabrook:

Our Secretary-Treasurer has been ill for a good many weeks and we are, therefore, sadly delayed in getting you a formal reply to the note you sent in November 2 carrying your resignation from the Board.

We are most sorry to lose you as a Board Member but shall continue to think of you as among the best of our friends.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM:wgd

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(PLEASE FILL IN AND RETURN THIS BLANK AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT)

Date Nov. 2, 1949

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

I plan to attend the Executive Committee Meeting at 10:00 A.M., Tuesday November 8, 1949..... ____

I shall be unable to attend this meeting..... #

I plan to attend the meeting of the Board of Directors at 11:00 A.M., Tuesday November 8, 1949..... ____

I shall be unable to attend this Board meeting..... #

I plan to attend the Annual Meeting at 9:30 A.M. Wednesday November 9, 1949 (with registration beginning at 9:00 A.M.)..... ____

I shall be unable to attend the membership meeting..... #

I plan to attend the meeting of the Board of Directors at 4:00 P.M. Wednesday November 9, 1949..... ____

I shall be unable to attend this meeting of the Board..... #

Please make hotel reservations for me..... ____

I shall make my own reservation, or stay with friends..... ____

I shall reach Atlanta at _____ (hour) on _____ (date).

SIGNED J.W. Seabrook

J.W. Seabrook, State Teachers College
Fayetteville, N.C.

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I was unable to attend last year, also. Because of developments here it seems unlikely that I shall be able to attend in the years immediately succeeding, hence with regret I am hereby offering my resignation as a member of the Board of Directors. I shall retain my membership and shall support the program of the Southern Regional Council financially and otherwise, to the best of my ability.

Sincerely yours,
J.W. Seabrook
J.W. Seabrook

SRC - Ex. Comm - Corres.

THE WRIGHTS
"Topknot"
LINVILLE FALLS, N. C.

7 December 1949

Mr. Paul D. Williams, President
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond 22, Virginia

Dear Mr. Williams:

I shall be very glad to serve on the Executive Committee of the Council, to my election on which you advised me under date of November 26.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

M. A. Wright

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M. A. Wright

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Dear Board Member:

The attached findings of a recent convention in Atlanta will be of interest, particularly Section 6 on pages 10 and 11 on the Church and Economic Life and the Church and Race Relations.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

GSM;wgd

FINDINGS

Theme:

PROTESTANTISM ACCEPTS ITS TASK
IN THE SOUTHEAST

December 6--8, 1949

THE SECOND SOUTHEASTERN INTER-CHURCH
CONVOCATION

Atlanta, Georgia

SECTION 6. CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

The Church And Economic Life

The social task of Protestantism in the South is to create a righteous society rather than to reflect what exists. The foundation of this creativity is the reconciling nature of Christian love in all the phases of our common life. Economically the Church must work toward the just and equitable distribution of God's gifts to all of God's children. She must look carefully at the sources of her own income and investments, facing up to her duties as an employer of labor. She must proclaim the ethical and spiritual basis of all phases of life, whether economic, social, legal, medical, or welfare.

Church people have a duty to become informed and, in the light of Christian teaching, to support or criticize the activities of local, state, federal, and world agencies in the administering of public welfare services.

Recommendations for action:

1. Local churches should provide facts regarding all situations that divide economic groups in order that church people may understand and remove such divisions.
2. The Church should encourage the forming of groups like vocation or work for facing together the implications of Christian teaching in their work.
3. Local churches should provide opportunities for developing mutual understanding between groups.
4. Local churches need to study and exemplify their own Church social creeds.
5. Where important economic interests are unrepresented by organizations, the Church has a duty to uphold the right to self-organization.
6. Local church committees on social action should be formed to work in the fields of family life and the community in its economic, interracial, and international aspects. The committee should be representative of the whole church.
7. The Church should cooperate with social and welfare agencies which deal with public responsibilities of the community as a whole.

The Church And Race Relations

We look forward to the early reduction of the misunderstandings and divisions among the people of the South, and toward that end we make the following

Recommendations for action:

1. We should work to correct the mistaken history and false tradition upon which much prejudice is based.
2. Encourage ministerial associations to become interracial.
3. Begin in your own family to build world fellowship through creating understanding and appreciation of people different from your own group.
4. Test rumors before accepting them as facts.
5. Encourage the tendency now appearing for appointments and election of members of minority groups to boards and commissions affecting their welfare and other positions of public trust.
6. As individuals, join and cooperate with interracial committees.
7. Call attention of the editor of the local paper to the opportunity to better race relations set forth in the pamphlet "Race in the News."
8. White church groups to note that theirs is the primary responsibility for initiating interracial action.
9. Close cooperation on the part of Christians, Negro and white, in securing equality of educational opportunity.

SECTION 6. CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS (continued)

10. Assist as members of the Fellowship of the Concerned to sit in the courts and work for equal justice.
11. Systematic interchange of ministers, other speakers, and choirs in churches, Negro and white.

Signed: George S. Mitchell, Paul M. Cassen, Annie Tait Jenkins

SECTION 7. LOCAL INTER-CHURCH COOPERATION

In almost every local community there are needs which may be sensed by individuals and groups to which the only answer is cooperation. Experience dictates that the form of cooperation will be determined by the situation. Function should determine structure and not the reverse.

In this Southeastern Region there is a high premium placed on local initiative and autonomy. There is also a creativity which should be recognized and capitalized. Because of this there will be more marked variations in form from place to place but a corresponding richness in the cooperative experience.

1. Ministerial associations as professional fellowships serve an excellent purpose as far as they go. But lay representation is essential for continuity and full official representation of the local church.

2. Cooperation between the churches may take various forms. It may begin with a community committee for a special project and develop into such groups as: a laymen's council, a council for weekday religious education, a council of religious education, a council of church women, a youth council, a council of churches.

3. Steps to be taken in organizing a council or association of churches. Questions to be answered before proceeding:

   a. What are the needs churches should face together here?
   b. What do we want to do?
   c. How much can we wisely undertake now?
   d. What and how much organization is necessary?
   e. How will it operate?
   f. How will we finance it?
   g. How will it be related to similar organizations elsewhere?
   h. How can we provide for program expansion?
   i. If it is to be a volunteer council, how shall we assign responsibilities?

4. Suggested steps to be taken in organizing a council or association.

   a. Prepare the ground carefully; interest enough key people.
   b. Hold an informal conference of representative pastors, lay leaders, both men and women, and youth. Discuss the community needs which seem to demand a more inclusive organization.

SRC — Corr. corresp.

December 9th, 1949

Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames
The Wren's Nest
Tryon, N.C.

Dear Mrs. Ames:

Our apologies for the delay in getting this travel check back to you. Our "brokeness" is partially responsible, but I did continue to be ill, even after the annual meeting, and things piled up.

All good wishes for Christmas and the new year !

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

McK/hs

December 23, 1949

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Atlanta University
223 Chestnut Street
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. Clement:

The forthcoming meeting of the Executive Committee, one of critical importance, has now been scheduled for Thursday, February 2nd, 1950.

Please let me know as soon as you can whether you can be with us on that date, and if you can, be sure to circle it on your calender.

Ten o'clock as usual, here in the offices of the Council.

Meanwhile, best wishes for Christmas and the New Year !

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

McK/hs

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Mr. Charles H. Gillman
79½ Poplar St., N.W.,
Atlanta 3, Ga.

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Secretary-Treasurer

McK/hs

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Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas Howell Bldg.,
Atlanta 3, Ga.

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Secretary-Treasurer

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Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Virginia Union University
Richmond 20, Va.

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Secretary-Treasurer

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Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tenn.

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(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

McK/hs

December 23, 1949

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Box 652
Chapel Hill, N.C.

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December 23, 1949

The Rt. Rev. Msgr T. James McNamara
222 E. Harris Street
Savannah, Ga.

Dear Msgr. McNamara:

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McK/hs

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Dr. Harold L. Trigg
St. Augustine's College
Raleigh, N. C.

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Secretary-Treasurer

McK/hs

December 23, 1949

Mr. Carter Wesley
P. O. Box 3086
Houston 1, Texas

Dear Mr. Wesley:

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With all good wishes for Christmas and the New Year,

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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December 23, 1949

Mr. John H. Wheeler
Farmers' & Mechanics' Bank
Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

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Please let me know as soon as you can whether you can be with us on that date, and if you can, be sure to circle it on your calender.

Ten o'clock as usual, here in the offices of the Council.

Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year !

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(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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December 23, 1949

Miss Josephine Wilkins
Biltmore Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Wilkins:

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Secretary-Treasurer

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December 23, 1949

Mr. Paul D. Williams,
3320 Gloucester Rd.,
Richmond 22, Va.

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Meanwhile, best wishes for Christmas and the New Year !

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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DR. GEORGE S. MITCHELL

A McK.

In conversati n with P. Wms. to today he selected Thursday, Feb 2 as the date for the Ex. Comm. metg.

He could perhaps squeeze it in ~~xxxx~~ in the week beginning ~~Xxx~~ Jan 22, but doesn't want to

He has checks in hand for I t ink about 150.00 and is mailing them today to us.

Virginia letters still not out! V. Dabney thought too many things this time of year, etc. VD willing to get 'em out in January, early. P. Wms. said he would sen 'em to P . B. Young to sign, now, nd then they could go right out when VD signs. !!!!

GMM

Dec 22

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Dr. George S. Mitchell
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

This will acknowledge receipt of yours of November 18 advising me of my loss of membership on the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council as a result of my residence outside the South.

Be assured of my continued interest in the valuable work of the Council. Although I shall be living in New York in the immediate future, my work will bring me into the South on frequent occasions and I look forward to seeing you from time to time.

Sincerely,

Louis E. Burnham

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Southern Director

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March 10, 1950

Dr. Rufus E. Clement
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Clement:

This is to recall that the Executive Committee of the Council will meet for one of its most important sessions on Friday, March 31st, here in the offices of the Council at 10:00 o'clock.

Your attendance means much and I do hope you will find it possible to come.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

March 10, 1950

Mr. Charles H. Gillman
79½ Poplar Street N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Gillman:

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Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

March 10, 1950

Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas Howell Building
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Haas:

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Sincerely yours

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

March 10th, 1950

Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
Virginia Union University
Richmond 20, Virginia

Dear Dr. Hancock:

This is to recall that the Executive Committee of the Council will meet for one of its most important sessions on Friday, March 31st, here in the offices of the Council at 10:00 o'clock.

Your attendance means much and I do hope you will find it possible to come.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

March 10, 1950

Dr. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville 8, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Johnson:

The Executive Committee of the Council will meet on Friday, March 31st, for one of its most important sessions. The time is 10:00, and the place, here in the offices of the Council.

Your presence always means so much and I do hope you will find it possible to attend.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

March 10, 1950

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Box 652
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Johnson:

This is to recall that the Executive Committee of the Council will meet for one of its most important sessions on Friday, March 31st, here in the Council offices at 10:00 o'clock.

We shall need your good counsel, and I do hope you will find it possible to come. Will you let me know on the enclosed card ?

We were all so appreciative of your letter of the 7th which arrived yesterday. No, we have not struck gold, but the $2,500.00 check of the Field Foundation did enable us to pay some back debts which were beginning to embarrass us -- yours among them ! Thank you for your kindly and generous thought, but do go ahead and use it; we are deriving considerable satisfaction in the knowledge that an obligation has been met !

All good wishes from all of us here.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHAPEL HILL

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY
AND ANTHROPOLOGY

March 7, 1950

Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Southern Regional Council
63 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. McKoy:

I appreciate your sending me the check for $40.35 in payment of my expense account in connection with the SRC annual meeting.

However, I am wondering if the Council has struck gold. I certainly don't want to cash this check if the staff is not getting it bread and butter! So I'll just hold it until I know whether the situation there has improved.

Best wishes to all.

Sincerely,

Guy B. Johnson

Guy B. Johnson

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March 10, 1950

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. James McNamara
222 East Harris Street
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Monsignor McNamara:

This is to recall that the Executive Committee of the Council will meet for one of its most important sessions on Friday, March 31, here in the offices of the Council, at 10:00 o'clock.

Your presence always means so much and I do hope you will find it possible to attend.

Please let me use this occasion, too, to thank you for the $25.00 check of the Catholic Committee of the South. It is not difficult to envision your own good offices here, and we dispatch forthwith, and herewith, our warm appreciation.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

March 10, 1950

Dr. Harold L. Trigg
Saint Augustine's College
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Trigg:

The Executive Committee of the Council will meet for one of its most important sessions on Friday March 31st, here in the Council offices, at 10:00 o'clock.

We shall need your good counsel, and I do hope you will find it possible to attend. Will you let me know on the enclosed card ?

All good wishes from all of us here.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

March 10, 1950

Mr. Carter Wesley
P. O. Box 3086
Houston 1, Texas

Dear Mr. Wesley:

The Executive Committee of the Council will meet for one of its most important sessions on Friday, March 31st, here in the offices of the Council at 10:00 o'clock.

Your presence will mean much, and I do hope you will find it possible to attend. Circle the date, and plan for it, won't you ?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

March 10, 1950

Miss Josephine Wilkins
Biltmore Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Wilkins:

This is to recall that the Executive Committee of the Council will meet for one of its most important sessions on March 31, 1950, here in the offices of the Council, at 10:00 o'clock.

Your presence will mean much and I do hope you will find it possible to attend. Will you let me know on the attached card ?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

March 10, 1950

Mr. Paul D. Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Williams:

This is to recall that the Executive Committee of the Council will meet for one of its most important sessions on Friday, March 31st, here in the offices of the Council at 10:00 o'clock.

We were all sorry to learn of your recent illness, and do hope that you will be sufficiently recovered to attend the meeting. Will you let me know on the attached card ?

All good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

March 10, 1950

Mr. Marion Wright
Linville Falls
North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wright:

The Executive Committee of the Council will meet for one of its most important sessions on Friday, March 31st, here in the Council offices at 10:00 o'clock.

We shall need your good counsel and I do hope you will find it possible to come. Will you let me know on the enclosed card ?

All good wishes from all of us here.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

March 31, 1950

Mr. John H. Wheeler
Farmers & Mechanics Bank
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

The Executive Committee of the Council will meet for one of its most important sessions on Friday, March 31st, here in the offices of the Council at 10:00 o'clock.

Your presence will mean a great deal and I do hope you will find it possible to attend. Will you let me know on the enclosed card ?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Agnes McKoy
Secretary-Treasurer

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May 2, 1950

Miss Cassandra Maxwell
721 Russell, N. E.
Orangeburg, S. C.

Dear Miss Maxwell:

Please accept my apologies for being so long in sending you this material. Since the Board meeting, the follow-up activity has kept us all busy.

Enclosed are some of our publications which, I think, pretty well define the Council's position. It is true, as you know, that the Council has not gone in much for sensational statements and advanced "stands" on principle. The staff in Atlanta has always been conscious of the fact that it represents an organization of people of both races who are trying to get improvement in practical situations in their communities. It might be observed that the Council's position on most issues is about the same as that of Negro leaders who are working at local problems throughout the South.

As for the direction in which the Council's work is headed, the record speaks for itself. The accomplishments of the past six years are well summarized in the reprint of the New York Herald Tribune story.

Certainly no organization in the South has done more to get the Southern people to understand what civil rights are all about. At the height of the controversy, in February, 1948, the Council sponsored a Southwide Meeting on Civil Rights at which members of both races considered the President's Report and came out with a forthright platform. That was succeeded by follow-up meetings in many communities. The Council also reprinted and distributed thousands of copies of the President's Report, as well as publishing "The Condition of Our Rights" to illustrate specific violations of civil rights common in the South.

The Council has long been on record in favor of federal civil rights legislation, and has consistently showed the need for it in its publications. Officers of the Council have on several occasions testified before Congressional committees in favor of civil rights measures.

Important, too, I believe, is the fact that the Council's own operations have provided a model in the South of people working together without any racial distinctions. There is no vestige of segregation within the organization -- and no desire for any. The officers, board of directors, executive committee, and full-time staff, as well as the membership, all demonstrate that prejudice is a primitive and unnecessary human trait. Every effort has been made to extend this practice wherever possible. The Kentucky Division of the Council played a leading part in getting the state law amended to open to Negroes segregated educational institutions. Others of our local groups have been instrumental in getting Negroes appointed to public bodies, and in getting private associations to open their membership to all qualified persons, of whatever race.

I hope all this will be of some help to you. If I can supply more, in the way of material or information, don't hesitate to let me know.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Harold C. Fleming
Director of Information

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Southern Regional Council, 63 Auburn
Abenue, N.E. WA 7963

May 5, 1950

Day Letter

Mr. Gordon Hancock
Department of Economics
Virginia Union University
Richmond, Virginia

Executive Committee SRC meets Saturday June 10, 10 A.M. Hope you can come.

George S. Mitchell

Ex Com

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Southern Regional Council, 63 Auburn
Ave., N.E. - WA 7963

May 5, 1950

Day Letter

Dr. Charles Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

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SRC Executive Committee meeting set Atlanta June 10, 10 A.M. Greatly need you.

George S. Mitchell

DAY Letter- Prepaid

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Pd.

Southern Regional Council, 63 Auburn
Ave., N.E. - WA. 7963

May 5, 1950

Day Letter

Mr. Harold Trigg
President, St. Augustine College
Raleigh, North Carolina

Confirming Executive Committee meeting set here June 10, 10 A.M.

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George S. Mitchell

DAY LETTER - PAID

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Southern Regional Council, 63 Auburn
Avenue, N.E. - WA 7963

May 5, 1950

Day Letter

Mr. John H. Wheeler
Mechanics & Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Executive Committee meeting SRC set for Saturday June 10, 10 A.M.

here. Can you come?

George S. Mitchell

Day Letter - Prepaid

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May 5, 1950

Mr. Rufus Clement
President, Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Clement:

We have set Saturday, June 10, for the meeting of the Executive Committee. I do hope that will be a feasible date with you. Ten o'clock, 63 Auburn Avenue.

We deeply appreciate your generous use of time on the Council's matters.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

Ex Com

May 5, 1950

Mr. C. H. Gillman
75 Ivy Street, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Charlie:

Here are the minutes of the Board meeting April 22.

Johnny Griffin told me you were going to try to raise some from individuals and locals. Please do.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:er

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

Ex Com

May 5, 1950

Mr. Charles H. Gillman
75 Ivy Street, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Charlie:

Executive Committee meeting, SRC, Saturday, June 10, 10 A.M., 63 Auburn Avenue.

You are off to such a good start in 1950 with coming to the Board meeting that we earnestly expect you for this important committee meeting.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:er
Signed inDr. Mitchell's absence

Ex Com

May 5, 1950

Mr. John A. Griffin
1426 Clairmont Road
Decatur, Georgia

Dear John:

We have set Saturday, June 10, 10 A.M. for the early June meeting of the SRC Executive Committee, here at 63 Auburn Avenue.

It would be an excellent thing if you could be present.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:er

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

Ex Com

May 5, 1950

Mr. Leonard Haas
Haas-Howell Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Leonard:

We have set Saturday, June 10, 10 A.M., for the meeting of the Executive Committee here at 63 Auburn Avenue.

We greatly hope that will be a workable date for you.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:er

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

SRC Ex Com

May 5, 1950

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
Box 652
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Dear Guy:

This will confirm our telephone conversation setting Saturday, June 10, 10 A.M., here at 63 Auburn Avenue as time and place for the Executive Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:er
Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

Ex Com

May 5, 1950

Msgr. T. James McNamara
222 East Harris Street
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Msgr. McNamara:

We have set Saturday, June 10, 10 A.M., 63 Auburn Avenue, for the early June meeting of the Executive Committee. I do hope that will be workable to you.

We are deeply grateful for your check, which came in today.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:er

Dict. by GSM; signed in his absence

Ex Com

May 5, 1950

Mr. Glenn Rainey
120 Third Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Glenn:

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It would be an excellent thing if you could be present.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:er

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

Ex Com

May 5, 1950

Miss Josephine Wilkins
Biltmore Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Josephine:

Apparently Charles Johnson can come to the Executive Committee meeting Saturday, June 10, and it seems suitable to many of the others. So we have set that date, 10 A.M., 63 Auburn Avenue.

I do hope you can come.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:er

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

Ex Com

May 5, 1950

Mr. Paul D. Williams
3320 Gloucester Road
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Paul:

This confirms my pleasant conversation this morning with Mrs. Williams setting Saturday, June 10, as the date for the Executive Committee meeting here in Atlanta, 63 Auburn Avenue.

My apologies for getting so far toward setting it without first conferring with you. Nevertheless, I hope luck will be on my side in finding that day available for you.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:er
Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

Ex Com

May 5, 1950

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Linville Falls, North Carlina

Dear Marion:

Hasty note about the Executive Committee. Has been called together for Saturday, June 10, 10 A.M., 63 Auburn Avenue.

We greatly hope you can come.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell

GSM:er

Signed in Dr. Mitchell's absence

SRC- Executive Committee Correspondence

May 10, 1950

Right Reverend T. J
The Right Reverend Monsignor T. James McNamara
222 East Harris Street
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Monsignor McNamara:

I do appreciate your nice letter and good wishes. Needless, to say, we are all grateful for your sustaining membership.

This enclosed reprint was passed out to members of the Board at the last meeting. Mr. Lesesne has been a friend of the Council, but apparently wrote this without the urging of anyone. It certainly is a well-done piece, and one which we are delighted to show at the slightest opportunity. I will send you a supply if you can use them.

We do hope you can make it to the next Executive Committee meeting and will look forward to seeing you.

Our best regards.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer

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Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist
RECTOR'S OFFICE
Savannah, Georgia

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May 11, 1950

Mrs. Norma Huff
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
Room 432, 63 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Huff:

Welcome to the official family of the Southern Regional Council! May I express the hope that you will be supremely happy in your new assignment.

The check which I sent in the sum of $100.00 is to be listed as a personal contribution. Thanks very much for your check covering my travel expenses for the last two meetings.

If at all possible I will attend the Executive Committee Meeting which has been set for June 10 at 10:00 A.M.

With every good and best wish, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

T. James McNamara

Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. James McNamara

SRC - Exec. Ctte — Membership

November 15 1950

GSM:

Grace Hamilton telephoned that she will be delighted to serve on the Executive Committee.

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To all 1951 Exec. Comm. members

December 22, 1950

Dear Mr. Clement:

Here are the minutes of the December 16 meeting. No quorum. So your vote is required on several matters.

Please do your best to give us your reply promptly.

Sincerely,

George S. Mitchell
Executive Director

Ex. Comm.

SRC

December 22, 1950

To all members of the Executive Committee:

Here are minutes of the meeting held December 16. A quorum is five, and only four members were present.

Nevertheless, important matters were discussed and made the subject of recommendations for action by the Executive Committee on a mail ballot.

These were as follows:

1. Motion to restore publication of New South as nearly as possible to a monthly basis. The grant from Marshall Field will almost cover such printing costs.

In favor: _____

Against: _____

2. The Council's standard offer to local committees arranging home town self-surveys has been hitherto to provide advice by someone from the Council's office if the local committee will pay the travel expenses. The Executive Committee members present December 16 concluded that the Standard terms should include payment by the local committee of a salary per diem of the expert for the days such services were made available to the local committee, as well as travel costs. Provision made for exceptions where the standard terms would defeat the purposes of the survey.

In favor of charging per diem: _____

Against: _____

3. Motion that a policy committee of nine or eleven members, to be appointed by President Williams, combine the functions of early advice

to the Council on policy matters and a review of particular foundation requests shortly to be made ready for the study and approval of the Executive Committee.

In favor: _____

Against: _____

Another item of business by oversight was not taken up at the meeting. It concerns the possibility that the Council take advantage of the new Federal act authorizing non-profit organizations to be covered under the Social Security System as to old-age benefits. The staff has by poll unanimously voted in favor of the deductions from salary payments needed to accomplish coverage. The remaining question is whether the Council is willing to add another 1½% of salary payments needed. If coverage is to begin January 1, the approval of the Executive Committee would ne necessary before that date.

Arguments for coverage: the usual ones in favor of a pension plan. Arguments against coverage: the direct additional expense to the Council at a time when its support is precarious. Estimated additional expense in 1951 for coverage, $352.50.

In favor of coverage: _____

Against coverage: _____